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GERMAN TANK COLUMNS THRUST 35 MILES INTO BELGIUM

[Reuter, A.P. and P.A. Reports.]

MARSHAL VON RUNDSTEDT'S great counter-offensive, now in its sixth day, has made two big thrusts to the west. Advancing 20 miles beyond Malmédy, the panzer columns reached the village of Habiemont and a point 20 miles due south of Liége, thus driving a narrow salient almost 35 miles deep into Belgium from the German border.

Other German tank columns to the south pushed almost right across Luxembourg. The fury of the battle is still mounting. The Germans are employing 15 divisions, with probable reinforcements ready to be pushed in at the appropriate time.

It was reported last night that the Allies had recaptured Stavelot, and are now fighting for Malmédy.

Reinforced elements of General Hodges's army have stemmed the northern-most prong of the deep-probing German offensive, states A.P., and are containing the flank of this spearhead on a line running through the Belgian towns of Malmédy and Stavelot.

The forward push by the German panzer units in this thrust was checked by a head-on collision with American troops. They were backed up by additional artillery, armour and tank-destroyers, which were swung into action without delay, and driven forward to stem the German advance.

The Allies, after the re-capture of Stavelot, are now fighting for Malmédy. At the southern end of the battle line the Germans have been denied control of Echternach and several villages to the south and south-east.

"FLUID" BATTLE

When these last available reports were made up American resistance was apparently stiffening along the northern and southern flanks of a 70 miles front, between which remained a 50 miles gap, in which fluid warfare raged on a scale unknown since the invasion started.

It was in the Malmédy sector that the Germans achieved their greatest advance in a long, thin triangle, with its base on the line Malmédy-St. Vith.

From there the line of the German advance runs south about eight miles to the west of the German border to a point due east of Wiltz, where another surge carried the Germans almost through Luxembourg.

The line then swings slightly to the east towards Echternach, where, in bitter fighting, the Germans penetrated about eight miles.

The German drive west of Vianden penetrated to a point 15 miles just east of Wiltz. A parallel thrust six miles to the north reached the vicinity of Clerf, five miles west of the frontier.

One of the greatest and strangest battles of history is now going on. Almost unidentifiable tanks and armoured cars are racing between the lines of friend and foe, at the same time flying-bombs splutter overhead through the mist.

The pincer movement against St. Vith has achieved little progress after its initial impetus, and has been fought almost to a standstill, with St. Vith itself still being held by grimly-fighting Americans.

The weather continues to favour Marshal von Rundstedt. Denied air support, the American troops have rallied quickly after the initial assaults, and isolated groups are fighting stubbornly, behind the German lines in many places, as their comrades north and south rush up to contain the German thrust.

More German paratroops were dropped on Tuesday, south-west of Habiemont. It is in the Habiemont and Malmedy area where pressure is greatest, and where up to now the Germans have made most impressive gains.

New York radio reported: "On the western front the German offensive is still growing in intensity. American troops at Echternach have been surrounded."

An A.P. correspondent at 21st Army Group Headquarters cables: Marshal von Rundstedt's counter-offensive has not yet exhausted its energy, but Allied counter-blows are slowly smothering the fury of the German assault, a 21st Army Group spokesman reported last night. There was no great change in the blazing Malmedy sector, and the Germans are still striving to expand their thrusts to the north, south and west.

Captain Sertorius, chief military correspondent of the German Overseas News Agency, reported that General Eisenhower had thrown his reserves into powerful pincer attacks aimed at both flanks of von Rundstedt's counter-offensive salient. He said "it appears that the southern drive is being carried out by the left wing of General Patton's 3rd American Army, which has hurriedly thrust against the southern tip of Luxembourg. None of the enemy movements has so far been able to stem the German push towards the Meuse."

American troops are still fighting around Echternach, the Luxembourg-German border town, although the German thrust through Consdorf has made further gains.

No changes were reported on the other fronts, with the exception of the 3rd Army, which completed the clearing of the Saar heavy industry town of Dillingen.

Furious fire from the Siegfried Line forced 7th Army troops to withdraw from Nieder Schlettenbach, five miles north-west of Wissembourg, to the west bank of the Lauter River.

Max Krull, German News Agency Military Correspondent, wrote last night:—"It may be assumed that, in addition to five completely smashed Allied divisions, another seven are disintegrating under the strain of a hasty retreat.

"The enemy's counter-measures will shortly become apparent, and then the winter battle will enter into its second phase," he added.

Rundstedt has not yet deployed all his offensive divisions. Those already operating are highly mobilised and equipped with the most up-to-date weapons, thus offering full operational freedom to carry out turning and enveloping manœuvres on a large scale.

"The German offensive steamroller is to-night continuing to drive the enemy back to the Meuse Valley," said Krull, adding: "The German Command faces with confidence the expected peak of the battle."

A Gamble By German Army, Says Stimson

MR. HENRY STIMSON, U.S. Secretary for War, stated yesterday in Washington that the Germans had chosen to gamble many divisions rather than wait for the inevitable end of the West Europe battle.

"We have no information here for a well-founded estimate of the situation on the west front," he said, "but the Germans are apparently making an all-out effort to halt the American advance to the Cologne plain.

"The Germans appear to have accepted the hazard involved in such an effort, which, if it fails for them, will definitely shorten the war. The German High Command must also be prepared to meet a Russian winter offensive, wherever it may strike.

"Under all these circumstances, the Nazi régime has not a great deal to lose and might gain a few months' extension of time before being called to account for the misery they have inflicted on the world."

Mr. Stimson, recalling his own Great War experiences at Armentières and the second battle of the Marne, said: "It seemed as if the German drives would never halt, as if they had unlimited strength, but in face of the counter-thrusts by the Americans the German drives shrivelled up like a toy balloon.

"What I have said is not unreasonable in connection with the present German drive."—(Reuter.)

"Heavy Fighting Through Next Year or Longer"

"ARMS production must be based on the possibility of heavy fighting against Germany through next year or longer," stated Mr. J. A. Krug, Chairman of the U.S. War Production Board, in Washington last night.

"If General Eisenhower had been able to break through the West Wall promptly the equipment we had under procurement would have been sufficient," he said. "He hasn't been able to, and it looks as if it may take quite a long time.

"We must get ready to fight the kind of war we have been fighting in the last two or three months for the next year, or as long as it takes.

"American numerical and material superiority is encountering the steam-roller of first class German technical weapons on a thin sector of the western front which is overriding everything that comes in its path."—(Reuter.)

Full Offensive Launched By General Scobie

BRITISH tanks climbed high up the monastery-topped Likabettus Mountain yesterday and strafed E.L.A.S. snipers and scattered rebel concentrations in areas north of the British-held defence lines, as General Scobie, G.O.C., Greece, launched his full offensive against the E.L.A.S."

This followed a warning by the General to the citizens of the capital that as from yesterday morning, he might be compelled to shell and bomb the E.L.A.S. gun positions in built-up areas.

Rocket-firing aircraft were employed concurrently with the tanks, which also found targets in and around the Averoff Prison area and the Military Academy to the north-west.

The 1935-1940 age groups in the liberated areas of Athens, the Piræus, Phaleron, Perama and Clyphada have been called up for military service.

There is no new development following the report that Archbishop Damaskinos, Metropolitan of Athens and Archbishop of Greece, had been approached and had agreed to become Regent of Greece.

Mr. Harold MacMillan, British Resident Minister in the Middle East, has returned to Athens, after a brief trip to Italy.

"MUTINY"

Cries of "Monstrous" interrupted Lord Faringdon, a Labour Peer, when, in the British House of Lords yesterday, he referred to the possibility of "mutiny" among British forces in Greece. Lord Samuel and Viscount Cranborne deprecated the suggestion, and Lord Southwood dissociated the Labour Party from it.

In his reply, Lord Cranborne denied that the Athens police started the trouble by opening fire on a peaceful procession. "That is an absolute travesty of the facts," he said. "Our evidence does not support the contention that the police were responsible, but shows that the crowd had already roughly handled the police and disarmed several of them before any shots were fired."

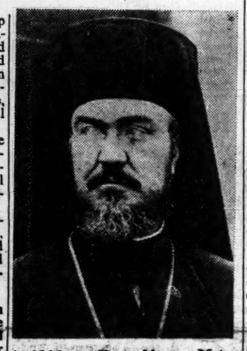
Lord Faringdon, who initiated the debate, strongly criticised the King of Greece, and said that the proposed conditions of an armistice put forward by General Scobie were not armistice terms. "They are terms of surrender," he declared.

"I should not be surprised," he added, "if our commanders had not met with cases of men who had shown the greatest unwillingness to fight the Greeks, and who may have refused to bomb Athens. It may be they will go further and we shall have a mutiny among men in Greece and refusal to fight the Greeks."

Viscount Long of Wraxall condemned the attacks on King George of Greece, who declared war on the aggressor and fought the Germans most gallantly."

A suggestion that a Christmas truce should be arranged in Greece was made in the British Commons by Mr. Greenwood (Lab., Wakefield).

Mr. Eden, Foreign Secretary, replied that the Government's desire was that this business should be brought to a speedy conclusion. "That is the decision of the Government. By that decision we stand, and by that decision we must hold."—(A.P., Reuter and P.A.)



Archbishop Damaskinos, Metropolitan of Athens and Archbishop of Greece.

Canadians Repel German Attacks

CANADIAN forces repulsed thirteen violent counter-attacks in nine hours against their bridgehead over the Canale Naviglio, Allied Headquarters announced yesterday. While the Canadians were repelling the German thrusts New Zealand forces continued their onslaught, hammering a deep dent in Marshal Kesselring's salient on the southern flank.

They have cleared the Germans from the east bank of the Senio River to a point three miles north of Via Emilia.

Other Eighth Army troops north of Faenza have forced a crossing of the Lamone at two points. They occupied the village of Formellino, half a mile to the N.E. of Faenza, joining up with the British already established in this area.

Hundreds of political prisoners in the Saint Victor prison in Milan escaped, after an attack on their guards, a despatch from Chiasso to the *Delemont Democrate* said yesterday. A number of the prisoners were killed and others wounded when the guards opened fire, the despatch said.—(Reuter and A.P.)

Farm Workers' Wages Under Review

When a deputation from the National Agricultural Association met Dr. Ryan, Minister for Agriculture, on Wednesday last, to request the Government to fix a fair wage for farm workers, to be binding on all parties alike, thus prohibiting strikes, Mr. P. Belton, President of the Association, according to a supplied report, stated that if the Agricultural Wages Board fixed the working hours at 54 per week and the wages were based on that time, they would be prepared to continue the 54-hour week.

The Minister for Agriculture explained that the Agricultural Wages Act became necessary in order to better the conditions of labour.

Mr. Belton said the Minister now had the experience of farm strikes which would never have occurred if the Government had bound the worker as well as the farmer.

After further discussion, the Minister said that the whole question of strikes' arbitration and conciliation would be examined in the near future. A strike at the moment was not illegal. Farmers must pay the minimum wages, but were empowered to pay more. The matter was too important for action under the Emergency Powers Act and would have to be submitted to the Government and perhaps the Dail. He would leave it at that for the moment, and would let the deputation know his decision after it had been thoroughly examined.

Fish Supplies To Country

There is a very real possibility that towns throughout the country which formerly received their supplies of fish from Dublin wholesalers may be cut off from this source in the immediate future as a result of the recent Retail Fish Price Order made by the Government.

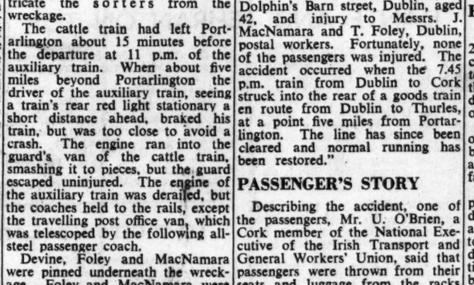
Now that the Order has been in force for over a week, the wholesalers find that in fulfilling country orders they have been losing money on the transactions, because they are not permitted by the new regulations to charge a reasonable figure to cover expenses involved in sending fish to the country.

Explaining the position to an *Irish Times* reporter yesterday, wholesalers said their interpretation of the Order was that they were only allowed 2d. per stone cartage to the railway when sending fish out. This, they contended, was totally inadequate.

Minister Thanks Army and L.D.F.

"It was only because you were prepared, trained and ready to defend our country that we could reasonably expect to have our neutrality respected," states Mr. Oscar Traynor, Minister for Defence, in a Christmas message to all units of the Army and L.D.F.

"During the past year," reads the message, "you have continued to perform your duties and to perfect your training with the same loyal devotion and enthusiasm which has characterised all your work since the commencement of the emergency."



Nurses lead the singing at the Rotunda Hospital Carol Service.

PASSENGERS ESCAPE IN G.S.R. CRASH

Mail Sorter Killed: Two Hurt

ONE Post Office sorter was killed and two injured, one of them seriously, when a Dublin to Cork auxiliary train, carrying passengers, mails, and goods, crashed into a stationary cattle train at a point five miles south of Portarlington shortly before midnight on Wednesday, as reported in our later editions yesterday. None of the passengers was injured.

The dead man is Francis P. Devine (42), 3 Dolphin's Barn street, Dublin, who leaves a widow and three children.

The injured are Thomas Foley (47), 25 Casino road, Fairview, Dublin, who has broken ribs and an injury to his right lung, and John MacNamara (37), 37 Seville place, Dublin, whose leg was fractured. Foley is in a serious condition. Both men are in the County Hospital.

Private J. Conroy was taken to the hospital in a state of collapse, resulting from his efforts to extricate the sorters from the wreckage.

The cattle train had left Portarlington about 15 minutes before the departure at 11 p.m. of the auxiliary train. When about five miles beyond Portarlington the driver of the auxiliary train, seeing a train's rear red light stationary a short distance ahead, braked his train, but was too close to avoid a crash. The engine ran into the guard's van of the cattle train, smashing it to pieces, but the guard escaped uninjured. The engine of the auxiliary train was derailed, but the coaches held to the rails, except the travelling post office van, which was telescoped by the following all-steel passenger coach.

Devine, Foley and MacNamara were pinned underneath the wreckage. Foley and MacNamara were only released at 5.30 a.m. yesterday, while the body of Devine was not recovered until shortly before midday.

Wagons of the cattle train were smashed, and cattle were thrown out on the embankment or caught under the wreckage. Those which were badly injured later were slaughtered by Civic Guards, armed with humane killers, under Chief Superintendent Murphy and Superintendent Ward.

On hearing of the accident, all doctors within a radius of five miles hastened to the scene. Dr. T. J. Duane, County Director of the local branch of the Irish Red Cross Society, called up branch members and sent an ambulance for the injured. A Red Cross first-aid post also was prepared.

The passengers, who attribute their escape from injury to the prompt action of the driver and to the fact that they were in an all-steel coach, later were conveyed to their destinations by five G.S.R. buses sent from Dublin.

SAFETY RECORD

There has been no fatal accident involving the death of a person on a train since 1912 in this country. There has been no fatal accident involving the death of a person on a train, or a fare-paying passenger, during the twenty years' history of the G.S.R. In this period the G.S.R. system carried over 7,000,000 passengers each year. The one fatal accident, which involved a non-paying passenger, comes within ten days of the company going out of existence.

The following statement was made by the G.S.R.:—

"The Great Southern Railways Company regrets to state that an accident occurred on its system shortly before midnight on Wednesday involving the death of Mr. F. P. Devine, postal sorter, of Dolphin's Barn street, Dublin, aged 42, and injury to Messrs. J. MacNamara and T. Foley, Dublin, postal workers. Fortunately, none of the passengers was injured. The accident occurred when the 7.45 p.m. train from Dublin to Cork struck into the rear of a goods train en route from Dublin to Thurles, at a point five miles from Portarlington. The line has since been cleared and normal running has been restored."

PASSENGER'S STORY

Describing the accident, one of the passengers, Mr. U. O'Brien, a Cork member of the National Executive of the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, said that passengers were thrown from their seats and luggage from the racks by the force of the collision.

He then described the scenes of destruction and confusion which followed the smash. Women and children were screaming, men were shouting, and cattle bellowing. Wreckage was strewn everywhere. Numbers of cattle had been thrown clear of the wagons and were drowning in the stream, while carcases of other cattle killed by the impact were flung about in all directions. The engine of the mail train had ploughed its way through the rear of the cattle train, smashing several wagons to matchwood before finally toppling over on its side on the edge of the embankment. The engine crew had a miraculous escape from injury.

With some other passengers, Mr. O'Brien helped to extricate women and children from the train. Meanwhile the engine of the goods train was dispatched for help, and at 6.15 a.m. a relief train arrived.

Legislation Regarding Military Pensions

A sequel to the decisions of the Supreme Court on Tuesday last, when it reversed the finding of the High Court in respect of claims for military pensions under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, is that legislation is to be brought in the Dail to validate the procedure adopted by the Pensions Referee, and to legalise retrospectively proceedings which had already taken place.

The decision of the Court was to the effect that the Referee had violated the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, as he had failed personally to take evidence from applicants for pensions certificates. The cases were brought by writ of *certiorari* on behalf of James McCarthy and Mrs. Ethel Cuthbert, of Cork, as test cases.

An *Irish Times* representative was informed that, were the Referee to abide by the decision of the Supreme Court, it would take him approximately 82 years personally to hear the evidence in respect of the 60,000 applications for certificates which were received under the Act. The alternative would be the appointment of a large number of Referees, with an equally large number of Advisory Committees.

Last night the Government Information Bureau stated:—

"Arising out of the judgment of the Supreme Court in the cases of Mr. James McCarthy and Mrs. Ethel Cuthbert, the position in relation to pensions under the Military Service Pensions Acts has been under consideration by the Government.

"It has been decided that legislation is necessary to confirm the validity of reports already made by the Referee and the continuance of payment in those cases in which pensions were granted, and to legalise the procedure adopted by the Referee in relation to applications as being, in the circumstances, the only procedure practicable.

"Authority to prepare the necessary Bill has been given, and it will be introduced in Dail Eireann at the earliest date possible."

It is understood that the costs of the recent cases, which were awarded to the claimants, approximately £400, will stand.

Increase In Exports

Exports from Eire in November last were the largest of any month for some time past. Their value is estimated at £3,695,303. The largest figure in 1944 was £3,428,791 in October. The imports were valued at £2,326,852. Exports, therefore, exceeded imports in value by £1,368,451.

As compared with November last year, the export of live animals was valued at £1,961,184, increase £204,370; food, drink and tobacco at £1,197,574, increase £378,953; other manufactured materials and manufactured goods at £522,338, increase £190,303. Exports by parcel post were up by nearly £2,000.

Record Flight to Karachi.—Flying night and day, a Sunderland aircraft of British Overseas Airways, has made a voyage from Poole, Dorsetshire, to Karachi, India, in 33 hours 52 minutes. The present flying time to Karachi on a longer route and flying by day only and at a lower speed is approximately four days.

Christmas Holiday Arrangements

THE "Irish Times" will not be published on Christmas Day, or on Tuesday, December 26th.

Advertisements may be handed in up to 1 p.m. to-morrow (Saturday), and from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Tuesday, December 26th.

French Views of Germany After the War

M. BIDAULT, French Foreign Minister, opening the debate on the Franco-Soviet pact in the Consultative Assembly, in Paris, yesterday, declared: "There cannot be peace in Europe until Germany has been put in a position where she can do no harm," a Reuter telegram states.

The pact, he said, was a treaty of mutual assistance, "prompt, immediate and mathematical."

Amid applause, he declared: "Neither our Allies nor ourselves intend to separate ourselves from America or England. Neither France nor the Soviet Union thinks of making a *bloc* with which the United States and England would not be associated.

"We wish to deprive Germany of all possibilities of aggression. Germany must be deprived of the Rhenish Westphalian Basin and of the Ruhr. Germany must not again have the power to concentrate her troops at Cologne. The factories of the Ruhr must not work for the Prussian war machine any more, but to repair all the damage which has been caused."

Paris radio quoted M. Bidault as adding: "One thing is certain, that Allied forces, and, above all, our own forces, will mount guard on the Rhine."

Of Poland, he said: "As long as the people of Poland have not made their choice, the diplomatic position will remain unchanged, but France hopes that Poland will be able to reach unity."

General de Gaulle declared: "France does not conceive of victory or the organisation of the world of to-morrow without alliance with London. We will have to win," he said. "The enemy is proving this in Belgium, Luxembourg and Alsace. These events show that victory cannot be achieved without France."

The Assembly passed a unanimous vote of confidence congratulating General de Gaulle and M. Bidault, and expressing the hope that the Franco-Soviet Treaty "should be completed by analogous pacts, constituting the necessary stages to assure victory and the organisation of the peace."

A late cable from Paris quoted General de Gaulle as saying: "France does not forget that when a common disaster befell us, England fought on, and that it was from the coasts of old England that liberation came."

Cottage Dwellings For City Workers

Pre-fabrication Favoured By Board Of Inquiry

THE elements of a housing plan likely to succeed in Dublin are given in the report of the Board of Inquiry into the Housing of the Working Classes of the City of Dublin, which has just been issued.

Differential rent rebates, reduced building costs, improved transport facilities, effective control of tenements, special provision for aged couples or single persons, the establishment of a clearing station for clearance work, State responsibility for capital-raising, and reduction of loan interest, are among the factors recommended.

The Board favoured the erection of cottages for the working classes rather than flats, and they found that reorganisation and development of building trade were necessary to meet the problem. In this connection they favoured the wider use of prefabrication, the introduction of building research and definite standards.

The Board sat from April 19, 1939, to February 8th, 1940, and had 54 public and 143 private sessions.

HOUSING ARREARS

In 1939 Dublin needed to provide 21,315 dwellings to overtake the city's arrears in housing. Over a ten-year period this would require the annual provision of 2,130 dwellings, 1,420 over fifteen years, or 1,065 over twenty years.

The annual provision needed to overtake the number of dwellings becoming obsolete each year (700) and those required because of family increases (1,190) was 1,890.

In 1938, the report states, a Corporation survey showed that 22,172 dwellings were needed to overtake arrears—16,818 to provide for the total number of families living in dwellings unfit for human habitation; 4,223 for families which would be removed from overcrowded, but otherwise fit, dwellings, and 1,131 to provide for families living in unfit basements.

The figure of 21,315 is arrived at by allowing for the building done between the time of the survey and the end of March, 1939, which was regarded by the Board as a suitable initial date to bring the figure to. But the figure of 21,315 took it for granted that all the old one-roomed dwellings could be assimilated; and to any extent that this is not possible, the figure is an underestimate.

TENEMENT DWELLERS

Defining a tenement house as one originally built for one family, and in which now more than one family lives, the report states that the number of tenement houses in Dublin in 1938 (in the enlarged city area) was 6,307, housing 28,679 families, with a total of 111,950 persons. This gives a rate of 4.5 families, or 17.7 persons, per house. The number of tenements had increased by almost 1,000 since 1913, but the other figures had altered very little. The number of tenement residents, which does not mean that all were slum-dwellers, was 24.0 per cent. of the population of the enlarged city.

The Board remarks in the report:—

"It is evident that numerically the tenement house retains its position as the dominant feature of the domestic life of the city. Broadly speaking, it may be said that for at least four generations the homes of the labouring classes of Dublin have been in tenement houses."

In 1938, 28,679 families lived in 37,848 rooms in 6,307 tenements, giving an average of 1.34 rooms per family. Out of a total of 33,411 families surveyed, 70 per cent. occupied one room each. In 1938 also 13,000 persons lived in cottages which had been condemned as unfit for human habitation, but the Board remarks that the housing problem in Dublin is still predominantly a problem of the tenement house.

NEW PLANS

The essentials of a new plan for housing are given in the report, and include:—

(1) A system of differential rent rebates for all Corporation dwellings; (2) A reduction in the cost of building, and a long-term building plan; (3) Altered policy regarding the classes of accommodation to be provided; (4) Improvement of transport facilities, and a new orientation of site planning and selection in order to derive the highest possible benefits from existing facilities; (5) Reconditioning of existing dwellings; (6) Effective Corporation control of all tenementing; (7) A new system of allocation of tenancies; (8) Special provision for aged couples or single persons; (9) The establishment of a clearing station in connection with clearance work; (10) State responsibility for raising capital; (11) A reduction of loan interest and extension of repayment period; (12) Assistance and encouragement for non-municipal housing activities.

The report explains that differential rent rebates mean that the tenants pay the maximum rent they are able to pay, up to a maximum based on the full economic rent, and this enables the local authority to use subsidies where they are really needed: to give rent rebates to those of low rent-paying capacity according to their needs.

The Board's recommendations seek to ensure that no person shall be ill-housed merely through poverty, and that no family would receive a subsidy, in effect, if its economic circumstances did not require it, or if the granting of a subsidy would mean the exclusion of the very poor from proper housing accommodation.

FLATS v. COTTAGES

Discussing the subject of flats *versus* cottages, the report states that the advantages of flats are obtained at the expense of many desirable features. Flats give a density of population per acre three or four times that of cottages in the suburbs, without gardens or yards for individual families, they cause cramping and confinement and other conditions not conducive to good public health. Flat-dwelling involves the drudgery of stair-climbing, which is particularly hard on old people, sick people and mothers and young children. It involves the lack of such private facilities as those for washing and drying clothes, the lack of privacy, the difficulty of delivering and storing such things as coal; the inability of the mother to watch the movements of young children outside the home, and the possibility of a high degree of contact with undesirable neighbours.

Flats, also, were dearer to build, and the artificial cheapness of flat rents in Dublin, the report remarks, has had the unfortunate effect of giving the idea that discomfort in flats was offset by cheapness.

PRE-FABRICATION

Discussing the question of reducing building costs, the Board deals with the question of pre-fabrication, in which, the report states, the greatest room for improvement lies, for this method of building involves the desirable feature that operatives can work comfortably under cover in all kinds of weather, with the aid of machinery and skilled supervision. "It is in this field," states the report, "that the development of an improved technique is most needed and has most scope."

Pre-fabrication gives much wider scope by the use of different materials, can produce structures of lasting quality and pleasing design, and need not result in monotony or crudity.

Remarking that the rapid evolution of the building industry in other countries is following the lines of pre-fabrication, the report states: "We cannot afford to lag behind, faced as we are with an urgent need for big building operations and with abundant evidence that the cost of producing a workingman's dwelling has soared so much above his capacity to pay for it."

CORPORATION'S WORK

Reviewing the work done by the Dublin Corporation, the report states that between 1922 and 1939 this body built approximately 13,000 new houses. Their efforts to deal with the problem have been impeded by difficulties in securing capital; their loans by 1938 had lost their attraction for the investing public, building costs had risen, and the 1937 strike in the trade had held up building for six months.

On March 31st, 1939, the Corporation owned 16,776 dwellings, of which 1,892 were acquired.

Between 1887 and 1939 the Corporation erected 14,884 dwellings, including flats and cottages, and acquired an additional 1,892.

The average annual Corporation output between 1922 and 1939 was 766 houses. From 1922 to 1933 the average was 483, but the passing of the Housing Act of 1932 enabled them to speed things up, so that their annual output jumped to 1,273.

In each of these years 348 were erected under the Small Dwellings Acts, and private finance built 827, bringing the total annual output to 2,448. The Corporation gave considerable assistance in the building of houses not directly built by itself, and was responsible for two-thirds of the total output during the five years preceding 1939.

In 1936 the total population of the enlarged city was 468,103 persons, of whom 139,134 (29.7 per cent.) were born in other parts. The population doubled since 1841, and increased by about 150,000 since 1926. The number of families increased from 85,136 in 1926 to 99,333 in 1936, an increase of 16.5 per cent. Of the 1936 figure, 9,905 were one-person families, 17,639 were two-person families, and 71,789 families had more than two persons.

FAMILIES AND HOUSES

The report contains an analysis of the numbers of various-sized families and the size of dwellings they live in. A child under 1 is ignored in this analysis, and one of 1 to 9 years is regarded as half an adult. There were 5 persons, each of whom lived in a house of 11 or more rooms, while at the other end of the scale there were 58 people in families of 12 or more adult members living in two-roomed dwellings. The two-adult family is the largest in the family groups, and 14,090 people in this group lived in single rooms, 68 in houses of 11 or more rooms, 8,574 of them in two-roomed dwellings. The number of these declined as the size of the dwellings increased. The next largest family group is the three-adult family, in which 13,114 people lived in one-roomed dwellings, and 313 people in dwellings of 11 or more rooms.

Of the total population of the city, 80,997 people lived in one-room dwellings, 67,279 in two-room, 76,204 in three-room, 65,223 in four-room, 50,293 in five-room, 32,970 in six-room, 22,181 in seven-room, 14,668 in eight-room, 6,329 in nine-room, 4,630 in ten-room and 4,214 in eleven-room or larger dwellings, while the rest of the population, 43,115 persons, live in boarding-houses, hotels, etc.

There were 7,326 people belonging to families of more than six adult members living in single rooms.

Examining the plan submitted in 1939 by the Dublin Corporation for the erection of 5,207 flats and 13,908 cottages between 1939 and 1949, a rate of 2,000 dwellings per year, the report compares this with the Board's estimate of working-class needs—3,300 dwellings per year—which, they considered, should be provided by the Corporation. This, the Board estimated, would cost £13,865,000, on which the annual loan charges would be £793,771. The Board further estimated that the annual levy on the public £461,207, would be almost as much as for 15,000 cottages and 5,000 flats. For this scheme the Corporation would need to levy an additional rate for housing purposes of 1s. 9d., which, added to the rate required to meet the estimated deficit on all schemes at March, 1939, would reach a total of 3s. 7d. in the £ on the 1939 valuation, or 18 per cent. of the total rates.

In addition to the annual deficit, the Corporation would have to raise a capital of £14,000,000 for housing alone, almost one and a half million pounds per year. In the Spring of 1939 a loan floated for the latter amount was only 57 per cent. subscribed by the public.

Taking all the circumstances into consideration the Board concluded that the suggested Corporation scheme was impracticable. "Moreover," the report adds "when we realise that this programme ignores the needs of 30 per cent. of those in need of houses —and these the most helpless of all— it will be seen that the programme is not only impracticable, but leaves the ugly roots of the problem untouched.

New Thrust For Vienna

A SECOND lateral thrust towards Vienna is now taking shape in the Czechoslovak mountain valleys on the approaches to the road and rail junction of Losoncz. Soviet troops, driving into Czechoslovakia, have started a wheeling movement on Losoncz, which is threatening the last German grouping in North-Eastern Hungary. The latest gains have brought the Russians to within 18 miles east of Losoncz.

Last night's Soviet communiqué reported the capture of the town and railway junction of Rima-Szombat, about 18 miles east of Losoncz. Thirty other places, including the town and railway junction of Feledince (20 miles south-east of Losoncz) also were taken. Both these newly-taken towns are linked with Losoncz by railway and secondary road.

The frost-hardened roads are at last helping the Russian advance. The fall of Kosice and Losoncz would be the beginning of another big crack in the shell of the Reich "safety zone" defences.

LULL OVER

Colonel von Hammer, German military correspondent, said last night that the lull on the Hungarian front was over. Large Russian forces were preparing to cross Lake Balaton at the narrow Wiast, where the Tilhany Peninsula juts out. Everywhere the Russians had replenished their forces and brought up ammunition and weapons.



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HOLIDAY COURSING DRAWS

FOLLOWING is the draw for the Dundalk and Dowdallshill Coursing Meeting on December 26th and 27th:—

Judge—P. Watters. Slipper—J. Culligan.

DOG TRIAL STAKES—Dashing White Sergeant v. Linny; Ballintemple Border v. Millionaire; Captain Watters v. Rooskey Blackout; O'Dells Highland v. Another Ruby; Legion Boy v. Magorm; Night of Attraction v. Gay Lord; Banana v. Bally Pagan; Border Dandy v. December Smack.

BITCH TRIAL STAKE—Duritzas Rally v. Lutact; Ribbons Pal v. Bob's Girl; Rocky Lady v. Correct Ann; Alert Lassie v. My Pretty Jane; Kilrea Magpie v. Loughderry Pride; Middle Ruck v. Miss Castlesod; Eileen's Magpie v. Midnight Attraction; Kilmartin Pinkie v. Jubilee Bloom.

McALINDEN CUP (16 all ages)—Kelville King v. Weymouth; Border Regis v. Personator; Dawn Express v. Royal Destiny; Wailing Woe v. Rebel Minister; Twenie's Bob v. T. and T.; Manhattan Chorus v. Border Darkie; Hard All v. Tailstoke; Judy Tallan v. Texas Girl.

DUNDALK STAKE (16 two-course)—Divine Action v. Drumkrow Playboy; Noburn v. Shifty's Luck; Rebel Mac v. Black Tarzan; Empor Boy v. Qualitys Best; Highway Monarch v. Lone Millie; Glasheen Princess v. Trembling Lady; Tip the Scales v. Sister Susie; Middle Rowdy v. Border Mistress.

DOWDALLSHILL STAKE (16 one-course)—Pass the Bend v. William's Hope; E.M. Ginger v. Crossfield Dasher; Daly's Brigade v. Ballyriot; Ringing Rogue v. Middle Riot; Duffy's Stone v. Lady Norah; Castledown Joy v. Tullyvallen Invader; Little Pepperpot v. Boozing Blonde; Swift's Mantle v. Square Attraction.

MOORELAND STAKES (16 no-course).

RAVENSDALE STAKE (16 no-course).

NORTH MARSH STAKE (16 two-course).—Dancing Moonlight v. Middle Moonlight; Princess Double v. Burleigh Pride; Keep Clear v. Gaelic Brigade; Foreign Prince v. Brown Special; Joe's Brigade v. Ballinlough Border; Boy from Derry v. Glin Lassie; Manhattan Joy v. Kells Ration; Blonde Holly v. Lanniere Again.

SURPLUS STAKE (16 dog puppies).—Moonlight Man v. Blackrock Monty; Cherokee Light v. Lisnacree; Moonday v. Fornal Boy; Proud Walker v. Rebel Dear; Derrycorbin Lad v. Fannside Flash; Moon Club v. Baltinglass Champion; Melrose v. Dark Clanrye; Clonmoon Again v. Camlough Road.

SURPLUS STAKE (16 bitch puppies)—Smiling Buretta v. Railroad Mantle; Earl Street Express v. Jane's Terrace; Farloe Smile v. Musical Countess; Gay Nineties v. Riac Gael; Josie's Fancy v. Lady Lee; Waterworks Jane v. John's Variety; Queen of the Williams v. Phil Daisy; Waaf's Fancy v. Ann Hann.

ORDER OF RUNNING—First Day (11.30)—Mooreland, Dog Trial, Dog Surplus, Dundalk and Dowdallshill Stakes. **Second Day** (11.30)—Ravensdale, Bitch Trial, McAlinden, Bitch Surplus and North Marsh Stakes.

Ballymena

Judge—W. Keenan. Slipper—M. Horan.

OWING to increased entries at Crebilly, Ballymena Club decided to run a two-day meeting. On Boxing Day, the Dog and Bitch Trials McAlinden Cup, and Members' Stakes will be decided, and the remainder of the card will be taken on Wednesday.

DOG PUPPY TRIAL (16) — Milltown Diver v. Burntoot Standard; Nursery Mancuyre v. Brown's Melita; Good Old Game v. Mad Farloe; Prince of the Ribs v. Bracewel's Tuesday; Dust of the Hills v. Rejected Addresses; Kilrea Try That v. Border Legend; Smack Socks v. Tonic Solfa; Fair Otto v. Private Roe.

BITCH TRIAL (16)—Scarlet Promise v. Golden Mistress; Border Mystery v. Fancy Marvel; Macbeth's Pride v. Mafenja's Pride; Milltown Star v. Roughan Marvel; Orchard Queen v. Mystic Glass; Maureen's Pal v. Troublesome Maid; Sea Border v. Broom Girl; Darling Eileen v. Farloe Peg.

McALINDEN CUP (16 all-ages)—Phantom Soldier v. Fine Cherokee; Rathmore Jubilee v. Inler Roe; Maxe's Fancy v. Tontonville Square; Ben's Homer v. Nursery Gift; T.T.S. v. Lucky Lapse; Springfield Ranger v. Ballywatt; Glenroe Dasher v. Miss Battle; Emily's Fancy v. Broad Blackout.

MEMBERS' STAKE (16).

WEDNESDAY'S CARD.

BALLYGARVEY STAKE—Silver Smasher v. Dull Lights; Marvel Wane v. The Heather; Wee Danny v. Herry Bed; Staffordstown Playboy v. Kildrum Lad; Precious Print v. Wicked Kesserling; Longtail Jubilee v. Myro Warden; Royal Smack v. Fair Rush; Roaring Robert v. Swinging Ranch.

BALLYKEEL STAKES (16 bitch puppies)—Jazzer Jean v. Straggling Moonbeam; Two Drops v. Turn of the Tide; Flaming Sal v. Sunny Colleen; Peter's Darling v. Stradella; Arras Nigger v. Bangor Border; Garden Heather v. Roughan G.P.O.; Fair Clarissias v. Mourne Reeze; Peggy's Best v. Killarney Maid.

AUGHERTY STAKES (16) and **DEERFIN STAKES** (16). First brace 11 o'clock each day.

Mooncoin

Draw for the Mooncoin meeting on December 26th and 27th is:—

Judge—S. Keating. Slipper—M. Walsh.

DOG TRIAL STAKE (25) — Woodland Laird v. Woodman; Border Swell v. Lucky Laddie; Jyles' Wonder v. Trial by Combat; Future Man v. Taltos Tanist; Green Heather v. Ida Laddie; Kissing Smack v. Klonea Pilot; Garron Prince v. Leading Plum; Dakota Chief v. Carolina Dub; Bobbie Black v. Old Invader; Pondite Cherry v. Breadvan; Tyros Star v. Manna Vale; Buties Cup, a bye.

BITCH TRIAL STAKE (27) — Good Trade v. Down the Barrow; Easy Way v. Comely Lass; Matchless Colleen v. Purty Colleen; Flowing Mischieve v. Rude Lady; Take That Hen v. Quaint Border; Lady Vanda v. Dashing Plum; Baunda Lass v. Rebel Model; Mooncoin Mona v. Woodland Iris; Happy Maiden v. Only Rebel; Lucky Lassie v. Lover Fair; Periwinkle v. Winler May; Cullen Castle Beauty v. Milepost Lily; Barl's Maid v. Suirside Border; Ballydermody Lass, a bye.

ALL-AGED STAKES (6) — On or Off v. Barrack Hill; Black Peggy v. Hardways; Blundering Beauty v. Taltos Star.

TWO-COURSE MAIDENS (16)—Nest in the Hill v. Marinova; Cullen Castle Bob v. Prout's Hill; Frankly Wiser v. Modest Prince. Hailstown Snowball v. Irel Fishing; Orluck's Mixture v. Renew; Highland Damsel v. Sciotan; Devil's Bother v. Dark Jazz; Pride of Callaghane v. Water Gipsy.

TWO-COURSE MAIDENS (16)—Lismoylan Monarch v. Handsome and Fair; Mooncoin Ructions v. Gas Hawk; Trout Line v. Dusty Invader; Tullaun Prince v. Proud Charger; Small Fish v. Dark Butt; Rising Leader v. Blue Bird; Lisnalea Dasher v. Leading Book; Michael Street Lady v. Dainty Swell.

ONE-COURSE MAIDENS (16) and **NO-COURSE MAIDENS** (16).

ST. MARGARETS—TUESDAY

Judge—E. Kelly. Slipper—J. Burke.

DOG TRIAL STAKE (16)—Dolly's Ghost v. Fond Invader; Go Go Mac v. Jack Taylor; Trinity Hover v. Harristown Captain; Count Lally v. Diesland Boy; Moss Port v. Brave Hand; Piano Wire v. Clannhard Border; Sleepner v. Impulsive Flash; Prince of Action v. Camp Order.

BITCH PUPPY STAKE (16) — Brown Paper v. Buchanan; Madgecorthon v. Hurricane Lamp; White Spark v. Desert Dill; Dothing's Daughter v. Coraille; Finery v. Slane Road Witch; Late Fisher v. Leixlip Magpie; Harristown Binny v. Hug Me; Rebel Grace v. Dochy's Queen.

MUNSTER AND LEINSTER CUP (8 all-aged) — Crystal Moonlight v. Vesington Prince; Afterwards v. Tops at Midnight; Rum Shandy v. Shore Fisher; Kildare Countess v. My Rosette.

TWO-COURSE MAIDENS (16) — Blue Sailor v. Vesington Light; Badly Hatched v. Rough Rebel; Model Dandy v. The Lodger; Wynnsore v. Bunkie's Knight; Johnny Pender v. Robin's Glory; Harristown Dinkie v. Lixnaw Exchange; Fingal Lady v. Wylie Shan; Shanganhill Per v. Lady Castlehope.

ONE-COURSE MAIDENS (16)—Joe Marr v. Midnight Prince; Lone Star Mickie v. Dunsink Mover; Doyle's Bread v. Manhattan Midday; All Sunshine v. Tucker's Fish; Grliancian Boy v. Red Terry; Genial Chimes v. Moor Church Girl; Meddlesome Iris v. Corn Silk; Shamrock Hill v. Dava's Pride. First brace, 12.0.

GOLF CLUB CARDS

Dun Laoghaire.—Ladies—Christmas competition—Class I: Mrs. Pike. Class II: Mrs. O'Sullivan. Captain's dinner, Jan. 23rd, 7 p.m.

Foxrock.—Ladies—Turkey — Mrs. McGrail (31), 76; Mrs. Fletcher (4), 78.

Rathfarnham.—Ladies — Stableford: Mrs. Robertson (19), 24; Mrs. Cochrane (12), 22 (best on last 6); Mrs. Judge (19), 22. Christmas competition—A: Mrs. Robertson (19), 100½; B: Mrs. Griffin (27), 104½. Jan. 2nd, foursomes.

Friday G.S. (at Hermitage)—To-day—Turkey competition, 9 h. (s.).

TO-DAY'S SPORTS DIARY

Boxing.—C.B.S.—North City Inter-Club Tournament. National Stadium. 7.30.

FOOD MARKETS

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—York cabbage (large) 50/- to 104/-, small 20/- to 44/-; Savoy (large) 55/- to 86/-, small 30/- to 40/- per load; swedes 2/6 to 4/-, mangolds 2/3, onions 34/- per cwt.; cauliflowers 6/- to 7/-, seconds 1/- to 2/-; lettuce 1/-, indoor 3/- to 5/- per doz.; beet 1/- to 1/6, leeks 4/- to 15/-, carrots 2/- to 4/- per doz. bunches, 8/- to 18/- per bag; parsnips 7/- to 8/-, celery 3/- to 13/-, turnips 6d. to 9d., sage and thyme 4d. to 6d. per bunch; artichokes 2/6 to 3/6, sprouts 5/- to 7/- per chip; apples (dessert) 5/- to 10/-, and cooking 2/6 to 5/- per stone.

DUBLIN CHRISTMAS POULTRY. — Supply moderate, with demand good, at: Turkeys (cocks) 2/2 to 2/5, hens 2/3 to 2/6; geese 1/5 to 1/7, chickens (small) 1/8¼, and large 1/6 to 1/7 per lb.

DUBLIN FISH.—Lobsters 20/- to 70/- per 13; soles 27/-, turbot 18/8, herrings 6/- to 7/-, plaice 18/8 to 23/4, cod and haddock 16/4, codling 7/11, whiting 2/- to 7/6, ray 6/- to 7/-, pollock 7/9, monkfish 13/3 per stone, and prawns 23/- per box.

DUBLIN POTATO.—Dates 10/-, Kerr's Pinks and Sprys Abundance 9/-, and Banners 8/- per cwt.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Good supply met keen demand. Plaice, lemon soles and dabs 15/6; skate 6/5; turbot, halibut, soles and brill 21/6; cod, sprags, codlings, haddocks, coalfish, ling, catfish, gurnard and whiting (heads on) 6/5; cod, sprags, codling, haddocks (headless) 8/7; coalfish and ling (headless) 8/1; smoked fillets 16/6 per stone.

APPEAL BY DUBLIN SEAMAN DISMISSED

The Supreme Court, consisting of the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Murnaghan, Mr. Justice Geoghegan, Mr. Justice O'Byrne and Mr. Justice Black, yesterday dismissed the appeal of Edward Toner, seaman, Bridge street, Ringsend, Dublin, from the dismissal by the Circuit Court of his application under the Workmen's Compensation Act for compensation by the Dublin Trawling, Ice and Cold Storage Company, Ltd., Cardiff lane, Dublin, for injuries received while in their employment at Ayr, Scotland, on January 26th, 1940. No order was made in respect of costs.

Rugby will be Open and Attractive

RUGBY enthusiasts will be well catered for over the Christmas period, for, apart from the annual Wanderers-Lansdowne fixture at Lansdowne road on St. Stephen's Day, a very attractive match between a Bective-Wesley Selected and a Blackrock Selected has been arranged for Donnybrook, also on St. Stephen's Day.

One of the most unusual features of Rugby is the fact that selected sides—non-representative—generally provide the brightest and most open form of the game. The ball is generally in active play, with stoppages reduced to a minimum. This annual Donnybrook match is generally one of the most entertaining of the season, and both sides contain players who revel in this type of game.

The Bective-Wesley Selected have, perhaps, a trifle more pace behind the scrum. Rutherford and McConnell are speedy wingers, and, with the interprovincials, G. Quinn and Coveney, in the centre, the side should not be lacking in thrust. Carry and Wolfe, both of Old Wesley, can be quite a dangerous combination at half-back. Forward the side is equally strong, and among the players are Dolan (U.C.D.), K. O'Brien (Bective Rangers) and J. Guiney (Bective Rangers)—all interprovincials.

The Blackrock Selected have also a club pair at half-back—D. Thorpe and K. Quinn, both of Old Belvedere. K. Quinn has been brilliant in recent interprovincial matches, and his appearance is quite an attraction in itself. Blackrock supply the majority of the other backs, with the exception of the wingers, Bergin (St. Mary's) and B. Mullan (Clontarf). T. Headon (Ballinasloe), the only pre-war international of the two teams; F. Skuce, formerly of D.U., and now playing for Waterloo, and M. P. Aherne, the Monkstown captain, are included in the very useful pack.

To judge by recent performances, Lansdowne should be well fancied to beat Wanderers in their annual game at headquarters, but, considering the fact that they only survived by one point in last year's game, after leading 11-nil at the interval, it would be rather dangerous to forecast the result. In any event, the match should provide its quota of entertainment value.

Teams:—

Bective-Wesley Sel.—S. Keogh (Greystones); A. Rutherford (Old Wesley), G. Quinn (Old Belvedere), T. Coveney (St. Mary's), N. McConnell (Old Wesley); A. Carry (capt.) (Old Wesley), F. Wolfe (Old Wesley); H. Dolan (U.C.D.), N. Green (Bective), D. O'Neill (Curragh Command), K. O'Brien (Bective), P. O'Sullivan (Old Belvedere), J. Sweetman (Old Wesley), A. O'Meara (Rosslyn Park), J. Guiney (Bective).

Blackrock Sel.—B. Coakley (Blackrock); B. Mullan (Clontarf), L. O'Brien (capt.) (Blackrock), B. Mooney (Blackrock), T. Bergin (St. Mary's); K. Quinn (Old Belvedere), D. Thorpe (Old Belvedere); M. Aherne (Monkstown), E. Walsh (Curragh Command), M. O'Neill (Old Belvedere), H. Milroy (Clontarf), T. Headon (Ballinasloe), J. Doyle (Bective), E. O'Donoghue (Old Wesley), F. Skuce (Waterloo).

Old Wesley Schoolboys.—General practice Wednesday next (3.0), Donnybrook.

MOTOR RACING CLUB

Colonel McNeill, who presided at the annual meeting of the Irish Motor Racing Club, said the year had been one of enforced idleness, but he was able to assure the members that the machinery of the club had been maintained, and they would be able to resume active work when the emergency conditions had passed.

The statement of accounts showed that the subscription revenue had been maintained, and that the big deficit that had been created by the holding of the race meeting in the Phœnix Park on the outbreak of the war was being steadily reduced. The surplus on the year amounted to £33 and the debit balance had been reduced to £201. In the five years of war the balance had been reduced by £150.

Officers elected:—President, Colonel N. McNeill; vice-presidents, Lord Nuffield, Messrs. P. S. Brady and I. E. Gibson; directors (retiring and re-elected), Messrs. W. J. Fitzsimmons, W. H. Freeman, A. Harrison R. V. Harvey and B. Redmond; auditors, Messrs. Wm. C. Ribbeck and Co.; Mr. R. V. Harvey, hon. sec.; Mr. A. Harrison. hon. treas.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

To-day — Wexford, Stokestown, 12.0; Meath, Dunshaughlin, 11.30; County Galway ("The Blazers"), Moyvilla X, 12.0; Scarteen Old Pallas, 12.0; Fingal, Ballyboughal, 1.0; Mid-Antrim, Gracehill, 12.30; South Union, Belgooly, 11.30; North Kildare, Beech Park, Clonsilla, 12.0; Longford, Liserdowling, 1.0; Westmeath, Clark's X, 11.45; Nenagh, Newtown (by invitation), 12.0; United Hunt, Pine's X, 11.30; Ballymacad, Fore, 12.0; East Galway, Clonfert, 12.0.

To-morrow—Ward Union, Kilbride, 1.30; South Mayo, Forde's X, 12.0; County Down, Woodside, 12.0; Waterford, Smoor, 11.30; Newry, Ardarragh, 12.30; County Limerick, Croom, 12.0; Kildare, Courtown Gate, 11.30; Bray Harriers, Willow Grove, 2.0; Strabane, Gortfad, 1.0; Naas, Kildare, 1.0; Route Hunt, Clougnan X, 12.0; North Armagh, The Kennels, 12.0; Carlow, Grange Park, 11.30; Duhallow, Canteen X, 11.0; Kilkenny, Kilmoganny, 11.30

PIKE FISHING COMPETITION

The annual Boxing Day pike fishing competition in the Zoological Gardens lake will be held as usual this year for the Moorkens Cup. Fishing will begin at 11 a.m.; there will be an hour's break for lunch, and the weigh-in will be at 3.30 p.m. Entrance fee payable at the lakeside.

Stable Plans for Leopardstown

THE leading trainers and jockeys have almost completed arrangements for the Leopardstown meeting, and it is possible to give intended runners from some of the big establishments. R. H. Walker expects to saddle a dozen, and the majority will be ridden by Danny Morgan, who rides first jockey for Rathvale in 1945.

Captain Cyril Harty, the Chapelizod trainer, expects to saddle half-a-dozen of his charges. They include Knight's Crest, who will oppose Prince Regent and others in the Bray 'Chase. Martin Molony rides, and the same jockey will have the mounts on Shirley Lad, Joancoaler and Eastern Realm. P. Moylan will ride Knight Garth, and Yankee Clipper will be the mount of Albert Power.

Champion cross-country rider, Aubrey Brabazon, has fixed up for several rides. Here are his mounts:—

Tuesday — Stand Maiden Hurdle—Ryskid; Carrickmines 'Chase—Alice Baythorn; December 'Chase—Colehill.

Wednesday — Shankill Hurdle—Q.B.I.; Silverpark 'Chase — Gangplank; Bray 'Chase — Historical Revue; Three-Year-Old Hurdle—Sordino; Tower Hurdle—Apios.

Miss Paget's runners at the meeting are:—

First Day—1.45, Housewarmer (D. L. Moore); 2.15, Tutor (D. L. Moore); 2.45, Somerset (R. J. O'Ryan); 3.15, Doremi (D. L. Moore); 4.10, Selym (Mr. P. J. Lenehan).

Second Day—1.45, Majestic Star (M. Gordon) and Loch Bidar (D. L. Moore); 3.15, Steel Jack (R. J. O'Ryan) and Bachelor Royal (D. L. Moore); 3.45, Roman Hackle (R. J. O'Ryan); 4.10, Dunshaughlin (Mr. P. J. Lenehan).

Happy Home runs on the first or second day, and will be ridden by D. L. Moore in the race selected for him.

DANTE AND TEHRAN ON TOP

MR. ARTHUR FAWCETT has not placed unbeaten Dante in the Free Handicap so much ahead of the other leading two-year-olds as the Northern champion's price of 6 to 1 for the Derby might have suggested. At 9st. 7lb., he is only a pound in front of Court Martial, a 12 to 1 chance in the latest betting; and 2lb. in front of Paper Weight, a 14 to 1 chance. Tornadic colt, who is second favourite at 10 to 1, has been allotted 9st. 2lb.

Best of the fillies, in Mr. Fawcett's opinion, are the stable companions, Isle of Capri (9-3) and Neola (9-2), Sweet Cygnet (9-1) and Sun Stream (9-0).

The weights for the leading horses are:—Dante, 9-7; Court Martial, 9-6; Paper Weight, 9-5; Isle of Capri, 9-3; Neola, 9-2; Tornadic colt, 9-2; Chamossaire, 9-1; Sweet Cygnet, 9-1; High Peak, 9-0; Sun Stream, 9-0; Grandmaster, 8-13; Elysium, 8-12; The Golden Girl, 8-12 Happy Grace, 8-12; Orsino, 8-11; Blue Smoke, 8-11; Fille du Regiment, 8-11; Carpatica, 8-10; Queen Christina colt, 8-9; Senatrix, 8-9; Fordham, 8-9; High Sheriff, 8-9 Portlad, 8-8.

Mr. Fawcett has no doubt that Tehran, the St. Leger winner, was the best three-year-old of last season. In his handicap of the horses of this age, he allots him 9st. 7lb., 5lb. in front of Borealis, 6lb. in front of the Derby winner, Ocean Swell, and 7lb. in front of the Oaks winner, Hycilla. Rockefella, who could not be trained for the classic races, but who ended the season with three successes, has been given 9st.

The leading weights are:—Tehran, 9-7; Borealis, 9-2; Ocean Swell, 9-1; Rockefella, 9.0; Hycilla, 9-0; Garden Path, 8-13; Happy Landing, 8-12; His Excellency, 8-11; Fair Fame, 8-11; Growing Confidence, 8-11; Abbots Fell, 8-10; Mustang, 8-10; Honeyway, 8-9; Rameses, 8-8; Hunsingore, 8-8; Picture Play, 8-8; Tudor Maid, 8-7; Orestes, 8-7.

The races will be run at the Newmarket Spring Meeting.

Fulke Walwyn, the trainer, has taken over the Saxon House stables, formerly occupied by E. D. Gwilt, at Lambourn. His horses in training are now located there. Flight Commander (4 yrs.) is an addition to his string.

Half Moon S.C.—Christmas Day swim at the Battery, 12.30.

To-morrow's London Dog Cards

WALTHAMSTOW

2.15—Sandy for Ever, Silver Night, Bally Beauty, Dozey Rosey, Tiger White, Crystal Light. 2.30—Game Speed, S. M. Acid, Colligan Lad, Idle Paddy, Jungle Sunbeam, Westminster Bank. 2.46—Bang Up, Royal Hunter, Holystone Homeguard, Dancing Manhattan, Bawnmore Tinker, Spindle. 3.3—Proof Again, Get Cracking, Poi Rufus, Wataperformance, Contender, Zero. 3.21—Watatodo, Just Decision, Barrack Playboy, Praed Street Boy, Dutton Ching, Moyanna Kitty. 3.39—Staunch and True, Marmora Bunty, Monday's Sugar, Baytown Oak, Parcelstown, Raffery. 3.57—Buddley Up, Rebel Sunset, Up the Aisle, They Think, Midnight Raider II. Double Rum. 4.15—Ryan's Last, Ned's Arrival, Lone Seaman, Gay Admiral, Dutton Havoc, Bally Poker.

Selections—2.46, Holystone Homeguard; 3.57, Rebel Sunset.

WEMBLEY

2.0—Bob's Queen, Gala Soutar, Green Lawn Hawker, Highland Peach, Isinglass II., Torard Daisy. 2.20—Carrigeen Crooner, Fairlands Junior, Flashing Dart, Light Demand, Magic Brigadier, Will o' the Wisp. 2.40—Bilting Apollo, Floral Dance, Generous Gift, James Lady, Light Down, Speedy Rum II. 3.0—Asbestos Blue, Bilting Amanda, Fighting Alone, Loaded Dice, Prince Jubilee, Somerdale Choice. 3.20—Bilting Admiral, Cheerful Runner, Keep Running, Midnight Miracle, Strange Castle, Way Back. 3.40—Ahane Browne, Clounaman Reel, Fairlands Princess, Ladys Rocks, Magic Bohemian, Peg the Proud. 4.1—Don't Be Cross, Fakenham Excel, Hard to Kid, Jubeau, Lavistown Lane, Paddy's Punch. 4.22—Blue Boy Cutlet, Cock-eyed Cutlet, Crows Sound, Lowertown's Best, Rathattan Peg, Tower Style.

Selections—2.20—Will o' the Wisp; 3.40, Clounaman Reel.

WIMBLEDON

2.30—Alvaston Apollo, Brendan's Baby, Brendan's Best, Glenero, Glengarry II. Scotch Junho. 2.45—Battle Hawk, Biddy Regent, Major Cherokee, Mary Hasty, Ornament. 3.0—Castledown Bridge, Jean's Border, Kelvinator, La Jana, Ruane Lass, Southlands Egg Beater. 3.18—Bella's Destiny, Brindle Mixture, Causeway Seal, Dashing Seal, Model Border, Stylish Ranger. 3.36—Ballykildare, Buy Out, Celbridge Joker, Dark Tiger, Lord of the Limelight, Send Flyer. 3.54—Allardstown Playboy, Black Rail, Coo Coo, Dark Ration, Gaynor's Luck, Thady the Traveller. 4.12—Black Nap, Cassa's Spot Lights, Dee Mellow, Honey Way, Midnight Lass, Fanimon. 4.30—Glentana, Honest Ripple, Jolly Mover, Kilbelan Artist, Leaflet, May Line.

Selections—3.18, Model Border; 4.12, Midnight Lass.

G.S.R. Debenture Touches Par

MARKETS dragged along in quiet fashion on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday. Apart from a little activity in Home Rails, price changes were mostly small; but the tendency was harder.

Gt. Southern Rails were again buyers, and the Pref. advanced to 69½ and the Guar. to 81¼, while the Debenture stock reached par. Gt. Northern Ord. held steady, and the Guar. rose to 69½; but the Pref. slipped back to 49½.

Government Funds inclined easier in places. Conversion Loan and 4 p.c. Exchequer Bonds shed fractions, while Agreement Loan relapsed to 108⅞.

Banks were lifeless, and in Breweries Guinnes Ord. were offered without result at 137s. 6d. Irish C.S. Buildings jumped 15s. to 71½, and May Roberts Pref. hardened to 23s. 9d. Williams and Woods Ord. shed pence at 34s., but other Irish Industrials held quietly steady.

Courtaulds Ord. eased to 57s. 1½d., but Bleachers Ord. repeated 13s. 9d. Imperial Chemical Ord. were again 38s. 9d., while Gt. Universal Stores quoted 26s., and Brit. Controlled Common 5s.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

(*) Odd lot. (a) Asked. (b) Bid.
(Previous prices in parentheses.)

GOVERNMENT FUNDS—5 p.c. Second National Loan (114¼), 114¼; 4 p.c. Conversion Loan (109), *108¾; 3¾ p.c. Financial Agreement (109¼), *108⅞; do. Deed (109⅞), 108¾; 4 p.c. Exchequer Bonds (108⅞), 108⅞, 108; 3¼ p.c. National Security (106⅝), 106⅝; do. (under £200) (106¾), *106½; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds (116½), 116½; 4 p.c. Land Bonds (107), 107; do. (under £200) (107), 106¾; 3½ p.c. War Loan (104¼), 104¼; do. (under £200) (104⅛), 104 1/16; do. (Bank of England), *104 1/16.

CORPORATION STOCKS — Dublin 3¼ p.c. 1963/'83 (101⅞), 101⅞.

BANKS—National (50/6), 50/6.

BREWERIES — Guinness Ord. (137/6), 136/6b, 137/6a.

RAIL GROUP—Gt. Northern Ord. (33), 33, 33; do. Pref. (49⅜), 49⅜, *49⅜, 49¼; do. Guar. (69), 69¼; Gt. Southern Pref. (69), *69, 69¼, *69½, 69¾; do. Guar. (80⅞), *81½, 81¾; do. Deb. (99½), 100.

IRISH INDUSTRIALS—Alliance Gas Ord. (23/1½), *23/1½; Ever Ready Ord. (12/-), *12/-; Irish C.S. Buildings (70¾), *71½; Irish Times 2nd Pref. (20/-), 20/-; Johnston Mooney Ord. (32/-), 32/-; May Roberts Pref. (23/6), *23/9; Williams and Woods Ord (34/6), 34/-.

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS—Berger (Lewis), *105/-; Bleachers (13/9), 13/9; British Controlled Common, 5/-; Courtaulds (57/3), *57/1½; Great Universal Stores, 26/-; Imperial Chemical (38/9), 38/9; Lever 7 p.c. Pref., 34/4½.

DECREE AGAINST TRADES UNION OFFICIAL

Judgment for the full amount of £35 claimed, with costs, was given by Judge Connolly, in the Dublin Circuit Civil Court yesterday, in the case in which Robert Coyle, of Lismore road, Kimmage, claimed £35 against Michael Colgan, general secretary of the Irish Bookbinders' and Allied Trades Union, Gardiner's row, Dublin, for having, by threats and other coercive acts towards the plaintiff and the Educational Company of Ireland, Ltd., prevented the employment of the plaintiff by the Educational Company.

Celanese Chairman Replies To Criticism

A REPLY to criticisms that the recent British Celanese dividends announcement was not accompanied by the profit figures was made in a statement yesterday by the Chairman, Dr. Henry Dreyfus, who says that at the annual meeting on January 16th he will "provide full justification for the action of the directors to the satisfaction of the shareholders."

It is claimed that the Board took special precautions to put certain qualifications into the dividend statement so that shareholders and the public might know that the payment of the dividend was rendered possible by the improvement in the profit standard for the year under review. That resulted from settlement of outstanding E.P.T. claim.

It is also claimed that, had the Stock Exchange asked for the profit statement when the dividend announcement was received, such a statement would have been forthcoming at once, and all trouble might have been avoided. The company did not receive a request from the Stock Exchange for information until a week later. Steps were then immediately taken to give the profit statement to the Stock Exchange.

It is added that, in view of the explanations, no blame can be admitted by the Board, and the Chairman fails to understand why this company should have been specifically singled out for criticism in this connection.

Rail Agreement To Be Extended

CONTROL of the British railways is likely to go on longer than one year after the end of the war, Mr. P. J. Noel-Baker, Parliamentary Secretary, British Ministry of War Transport, told Parliament yesterday.

It would be more likely to last for two years than one, and I think if that were done it would be with the full agreement of the railway companies, he added.

Building Shares Good

The London Stock Markets were brighter yesterday. The volume of buying was small, but dealers reported few sellers, and stock scarce.

Argentine Rail Debs. were favourably affected by the arrears payment on Central Argentine 5 p.c.

Optimism again prevailed in British Celanese following Dr. Dreyfus's circular to shareholders, the Ord. closing 1s. better, 38s. 3d., and the Pref. 1s. 9d. to the good at 33s. 7½d. The Building group displayed notable firmness, including British Plaster Board (39s. 9d., up 9d.), Taylor Woodrow (19s. 3d., up 6d.). The recent rise in S. E. Opperman (up further 3d. to 5s.) is now rumoured to be connected with housing development.

The better general tone extended to Kaffirs, helped by Anglo dividends. Diamonds being bought locally on yield considerations. Cape prices also better. De Beers Defd. rose ⅜ to 16¾, Cons. Diamonds 1s. 6d. to 14s., and Anglo Trust 1s. to 48s.

OTHER EXCHANGES

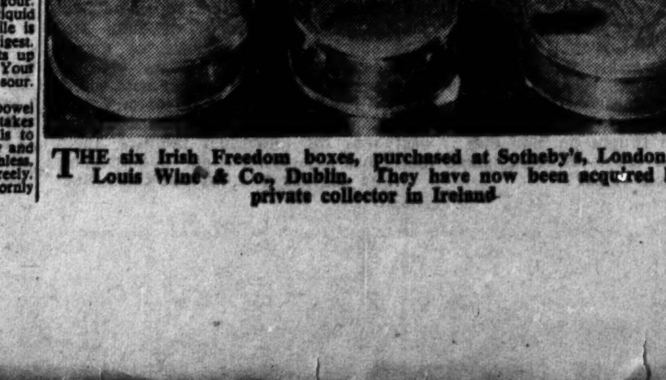
MANCHESTER—Bleachers 13/7½, Dyers 24/7½, "Slubbers" 7/4½, Calico Printers 18/6, Coats 50/6, Courtaulds 57/6; Dunlop 47/9, Sewing Cotton 37/6, Velvet 17/3, Spinners 25/10½, Henry 26/-, Collieries 11/10½, Turner and Newall 81/6, Wall Paper Defd. 43/9.

BIRMINGHAM—Motors firm; Tube Investment reacted to 106/6 and Modern Tools to 41/-; Alvis 7/9, Austin "A" 30/3, Dennis 28/-, Dunlop 48/-, Enfield 29/-, Ford 36/3, Guy 3/3, Humber 21/7½, Leyland 76/-, Lucas 81/6, Lea Francis 2/10½, Morris 46/-, Raleigh 83/3, Rolls 111/3, Rovers 34/6, Singer 6/4½, Standard 33/3, Triplex 43/6, Birmids 87/-.

Armstrong (A.)—Dividend of 10 p.c. (1/- per share) on Ord. shares, making 12½ p.c. for year (same); net profit £2,273 (against £5,665), carry forward £10,524.

Apex (Trinidad) Oil — Final of 17½, making 30 p.c. for year (same).

Wm. Briggs and Sons—Final of 25 p.c., making 30 p.c. for year (against 25 p.c.).



THE six Irish Freedom boxes, purchased at Sotheby's, London, by Louis Wine & Co., Dublin. They have now been acquired by a private collector in Ireland

TOWARDS TO-MORROW

CENTRAL FLATS OR SUBURBAN COTTAGES?

By "Scrutator"

TWO features of Mr. Alastair McCabe's contribution to last Tuesday's *Irish Times* call for critical comment. The first is the suggestion that, while the transfer of communities from congested city areas to suburban or rural surroundings "may possibly raise physical standards, no migration will change the nature of the community as such." The second, and relevant, conclusion to which exception must be taken is that the transfer of communities from slum dwellings to central blocks of tenement flats, rather than to suburban cottages, is more likely to effect the desirable "contacts with the higher social strata" as means "to raise the moral, cultural and social standards of the people concerned."

On what data does Mr. McCabe base such presumption? Is it merely on the question-begging description of Dublin Corporation's suburban settlements as "new slums"? Does he not destroy his conclusions by recognising the *physical* benefits that follow transfers from central to suburban environments? Is not physical health a condition precedent to the development of moral and social well-being? What evidence is there to support his suggestion that those transferred from slum environment to tenement blocks—however provided with "normal amenities"—are more likely than transferees to suburban homes "to make contact with higher social strata"?

"New Slums for Old?"

Even if we accept the somewhat rhetorical description of Crumlin, Cabra and other municipal settlements as "new slums for old," the case for central flats is far from being established. The remedy lies in better layout and design of suburban dwellings.

For some reason Mr. McCabe made only oblique reference to the real grounds of many tenants' objections to prevalent suburban conditions. These objections are:—(1) To alleged high rents; (2) to the inconvenience and cost of transport; (3) to consequent reductions in margins for the purchase of food and other necessities, and (4) to the loss of accustomed social contacts.

All these are very real and serious objections. There is, unfortunately, ample evidence that many transferred families' margins for the purchase of nourishment have been seriously reduced; and there is no doubt that a small—probably very small—proportion of transferees would sacrifice suburban benefits in order to resume long-established family and social contacts.

Minority Objections

Do any or all of these minority objections justify Mr. McCabe's broad conclusions? Or are his objections to the policy of "suburban cottages and cabbage-patches" based on transitory and remediable difficulties? Is there nothing of substance to be said in favour of the food values of gardens and adjacent allotments? Are contacts with nature to be treated as of less physical and cultural and moral values than are contacts with "higher social strata"?

If these unquestionable advantages of suburban dormitories are recognised, what is to be said in favour of making further additions to the—one thinks—already abundant supply of tenement flats in Dublin? Low capital costs? Comparatively lower rentals? Certainly not! To provide equal accommodation—measured in terms of useful floor space or otherwise—the city flat (before the present emergency) cost more than twice as much as an equivalent suburban cottage.

But, Mr. McCabe may say, how is it that lower rents now are paid for the flat than for the cottage of equal size? There seems to be but one answer, and it cannot be accepted. For some strange reason, considerations of social service—of pity for the slum denizen—have provoked the Government and the Corporation to impose much heavier burdens on taxpayers and ratepayers for flats than for equivalent cottages. Thus, public policy puts a heavy premium on flat-life and discourages migration to rural surroundings.

The Transport Factor

Can that policy be reversed without recourse to increased subventions from the public purse? Most certainly it can. Directly and immediately by diverting margins of interest charges on excessively costly flats to some form of transport subsidy. Annual capital charges for a four-room flat are not less than £30 higher than for an equivalent suburban cottage. Just how that £30 yearly could best be applied as a transport subsidy need not now be discussed. It presents a reasonably simple problem to be solved by our municipal and public transport authorities.

Indirectly less immediate, but more abiding, remedies for transport difficulties lie in the transfer of many light industries from central to suburban surroundings. Already four of Dublin's principal printing works, and several tobacco and other factories, have been removed to suburban areas. There can be little doubt that other industries soon will follow their example.

Court Decides Against Limerick Shop Pickets

MR. JUSTICE OVEREND, in the High Court, Dublin, yesterday, gave judgment, with costs, in favour of James J. Doran, Katoomba, O'Connell avenue, Limerick, and his wife, in their action claiming an injunction to restrain Miss Imelda Kelly, Mona Lodge, Limerick, and Charles Lennon, Sexton street, Limerick, shop assistants, from picketing their premises, The Dublin Shoe Company, 36 O'Connell street, Limerick.

Having dealt with the facts of a dispute concerning a bonus, Mr. Justice Overend said that on November 22nd, 1943, drapery employees in Limerick and Miss Kelly and Mr. Lennon absented themselves from business without their employers' consent, and it had been found necessary to close the Dublin Shoe Shop. That was a deliberate breach by Miss Kelly and Mr. Lennon of their contract of employment.

In his opinion, it would justify the plaintiffs in forsaking the contracts as terminated by the defendants' action. The only trade dispute which existed terminated on November 27th, when the drapery assistants agreed to a settlement. On November 22nd and November 29th it would have been illegal for the plaintiffs to pay Mr. Lennon any increased wages by reason of the Emergency Powers Order in that regard; for him to strike was, therefore, illegal, and, having regard to the definition clause, Miss Kelly could not by herself constitute a strike.

The evidence in the case was that a month was the length of "notice" customary in this trade in Limerick, whilst the strike notice gave the employers only eleven days. "It should be understood by union officials," he said, "that if they call employees out on shorter notice than that to which the employers are entitled, they cause the employees to break their contracts and the employers are entitled to rely on such breach."

Mr. Justice Overend said that he must not be taken as asserting to the proposition that an untrue representation that the staff had been locked out was not defamatory of, and highly injurious to, an employer. The defendants had said that, from first to last, they had acted on the instructions of their union (the Irish Union of Distributive Workers and Clerks); but, unfortunately, that constituted no defence in the action.

In reply to the Judge, Mr. Lavery, S.C., for plaintiffs, said that his clients did not ask for damages.

With Mr. Lavery were Mr T. V. Nolan Whelan, S.C., and Mr. T. J. Connolly (instructed by Messrs. Bennett and Walsh); and Mr. J. M. Fitzgerald, S.C., and Mr. W. O'B. Fitzgerald, S.C., and Mr. T. A. Doyle (instructed by Messrs. J. J. McDonald and Co.), appeared for the defendants.

Three Years For Theft Of £2,620

A sentence of three years' penal servitude was imposed by Judge Shannon, in the Dublin Circuit Criminal Court, yesterday, on Christopher Hehir (24), a native of Limerick, who had pleaded guilty to housebreaking and the larceny of a sum of £2,620 in cash from the premises of Emil Hirsch, Ribbons, Ltd., Suffolk street, Dublin.

Desmond Logan (19), a native of Co. Louth, who also pleaded guilty in connection with the same offences, was sentenced to 15 months with hard labour.

It was stated that a sum of close on £2,000 had been recovered by the Guards.

Mr. James Trainor, solicitor, who appeared for Mr. Emil Hirsch, owner of the money, told the Court that his client, as a mark of appreciation of the work of the Guards in the case, was forwarding a cheque of £100 to the Civic Guard Benevolent Fund.

OTHER SENTENCES

The following sentences were also imposed:—

Michael Sullivan, Frankfurt Villas, Dundrum, Co. Dublin, eighteen months for obtaining money by means of forged cheques.

Joseph H. Griffin (27), Gilford Drive, Sandymount, nine months, for selling salt as sulphate of ammonia.

Joseph J. Rooney (20), Darby square, Werburgh street, Dublin, two years' Borstal for conspiracy, housebreaking and larceny.

The Court adjourned until January 11th.

Donegal Man Wins Customs Appeal

The Supreme Court, consisting of the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Murnaghan, Mr. Justice Geoghegan, Mr. Justice O'Byrne and Mr. Justice Black, yesterday delivered reserved judgment allowing the appeal brought by Francis Gettins, Market street, Ballyshannon, from an order of the High Court discharging a conditional order of *certiorari* directing Circuit Court Judge Fawsitt to send before the Court to be quashed an order made by him reversing an order of the District Court at Ballyshannon, which dismissed a summons against Mr. Gettins, and fining Mr. Gettins £100, with the alternative of six months' imprisonment.

False Pretences Charge.—Gladys Minogue (22), parlourmaid, Main street, Claremorris, was remanded for a week, in the Dublin District Court yesterday, on a charge of obtaining money by false pretences. It was stated that Minogue had obtained sixpence from another woman by pretending that she was collecting for the Catholic Girls' Society.

Restricting Use Of Penicillin

THE future control of the production and importation of penicillin is the subject of consultations being held between the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health (Dr. C. Ward) and the Therapeutic Substances Advisory Committee. Penicillin is a therapeutic substance, the purity or potency of which cannot be adequately tested by chemical means, and the Therapeutic Substances Act, 1932, provides for the declaring by order of any such substance to be a therapeutic substance to which the Act applies.

When such an order is made, the manufacture of penicillin in this country for sale will be prohibited, except by the holder of a manufacturer's licence or by a registered medical practitioner for an individual patient, or a registered veterinary surgeon for animals under his care.

As soon as penicillin has been brought under the Therapeutic Substances Act it will be necessary for any firm wishing to import penicillin to be appointed sole agent by the manufacturer for the sale in Eire of penicillin manufactured by such manufacturer, and to obtain an import licence, the issue of which will be subject to the Parliamentary Secretary being satisfied as to the quality of the product in question.

Opposition To Big Steel Merger

Sir William Firth, formerly Chairman and Managing Director of Richard Thomas and Co., Ltd., in a statement last night, advises shareholders to vote against the proposed merger with Baldwins.

Sir William, who, with his immediate family, holds over 400,000 Preference and Ordinary shares, considers that the purchase is an undesirable commitment, and that it will do little to solve the redundancy problem in the sheet and tinplate industries. He also regards the price to be paid as excessive. He claims that much money will have to be spent on the collieries before they can be efficient and profitable, and that the old type sheet and tinplate mills are obsolete. Richard Thomas already have adequate steel-making capacity to fulfil all their probable requirements and, therefore, will gain nothing in efficiency by investments in additional steel plant.

Sir William considers that the company has reached a position in which it is financially strong enough to replace the Prior Lien Debenture, and to bring the control *régime* to an end, thus regaining its full independence to co-operate with the industry on equitable terms. If the present scheme goes through, he argues, the company will forever remain in bondage to Baldwins, who would hold over one-third of the voting rights.

The fusion will be discussed at meetings of Richard Thomas and Baldwins on December 29th.

Raleigh Cycle Outlook

The main point of the statement of the Chairman, Sir H. Bowden, which accompanies the full report and accounts of Raleigh Cycle Holdings Co. for the year ended November 30th, is that the change-over from war to peace will be a difficult period for the company, because over 90 p.c. of its factory production has been devoted to war work, and a complete reorganisation of factory and machinery will be needed before production of cycles and gears can again be undertaken.

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

Consols 2½%	81 7/16	81 9/16		3% Conversion	103⅛	103¼	
Do. 4½%	111⅝	111¾	+1/13	3½% Conversion	106	106⅛	+1/13
3½% War Loan	104	104⅛	+1/16	2½% Land	91	93	
3% War Loan	102 1/16	102 3/16	+1/16	L.F.S 4½% Ld	114½	116½	
Funding Loan	113 9/16	113 11/16		Local Loans	94⅜	94½	
Victory Bonds	113 11/16	113 13/16		Nat. Def. 2½%	100 15/16	101 1/16	

BONDS—RAILS—BANKS

Brazil 20-Yr. A.	81½	
Do. 40-Yr. B.	70½	
Great Western	58½	−¼
L.M.S. Ord.	31½	
Do. 4% Pref.	78½	
Do. 5% Ad. Pf.	103*	
Do. 4% Pf. '23	62¾	+¼
L.N.E. Pf. Ord.	8	
Do. Def.	4	
Do. 1st Pref.	60¾	
Do. 2nd Pref.	31¾	
Sth. Pref. Ord.	77½	
Sth. Def. Ord.	25½	
Do 5% Pref.	118½	−½
Arg. Gt. W. 5% Deb.	56½	+½
B.A. Gt. Sth.	11⅞	
Do. 4% Deb.	62	+½
B.A. and Pacific 4% Deb.	73	
Do. Con. 4½% Deb.	55½	+½
B.A. & Western	10⅞	
Do. 4% Deb.	56½	+½
Canadian Pacific	14⅞	−⅛
C. Arg. 4% Deb	56½	+¾
Do. 5% Deb. 1967-87	63	+1
Barclay A	55/6	
Lloyds	61/6	−0/3
Midland Bank	10 19/32	−1/16
Westminster £1.	95/0	

INDUSTRIALS

Allied [illegible]on	52/0*	
Austin (5/-)	30/3	
Assoc. Cement	62/9	+0/3
Ass. Br. Picture	22/0	
Babcock & W.	53/3	
Baldwins	6/9	−0/1½
Brown (J.)	28/0	
B.S.A.	24/1½	
Bleachers	13/7½	+0/1½
Brad. Dyers	25/0	+0/3
Braz. Traction	26¼	−⅛
British Celanese	38/3	+1/3
British Match	42/4½	+0/3
B.A. Tobacco	5 23/32	+1/32
Beechams Def.	19/6	
Boots Drug	55/3	
Bolsover Coll.	51/0	
British Alum.	45/7½	
British Oxygen	87/6	
Brit. Plaster Bd.	39/9	+0/9
Brit. P. Cement	4½	
Bass	178/0	
Brit. Insulated	114/0	
Callendars	114/0	
Cammell Laird	10/6	
Consett Iron	8/1½	
Crompton P.	33/9*	
Coast Lines	17/0	

INDUSTRIALS (Cont.)

Cab & W. Ord.	84¼	
Calico Printers	18/9	+0/1½
Coats	51/1½	+0/3
Cory, Wm.	98/0*	
Clan Line	5	
Cunard	21/10½	
Courtaulds	57/3	
Carreras B	18/10½	+0/1½
De La Rue	9⅝	
Dorman Long	27/6	
Dunlop	47/0	−0/3
Distillers	108/0*	
Elec. & Mus.	35/6	+0/1½
Eng Sew Cot.	37/6	
Eng. Electric	56/0	
Ever Ready	42/0	
Ford	36/6	
Fine Spinners	26/1½	+0/4½
Gallaher	7⅜	+1/16
Guinness	136/6	
Godfrey Phillips	56/3	
General Electric	96/0	
Guest Keen	38/4½	
Harrods	65/3	
Hudson's Bay	70/0	
Hawker Sid.	17/10½	+0/1½
Harland & W.	16/3	
Imp. Tobacco	8 5/32	+1/32
Imp. Chemical	39/3	
Int. Nickel	38⅛	−⅛
Inter. Tea	18/4½	
Johnston & P.	79/0	
Leyland	77/0	+0/3
Lever & Unilvr.	46/0	
Lever N V.	46/0	
London Brick	66/0	+0/6
Morris	46/0	+0/3
Murex	5	
Marks & S.	65/3	+0/6
Patons and B.	4 1/16	
Pressed Steel	32/6	+0/1½
P & O Def.	42/0*	
Pinchin Johnson	39/3	+0/3
Raleigh	82/0	−0/9
Rolls Royce	5⅛	
Ruston & H.	49/6	
Siemens	36/0	
Sudan Plants.	42/6	
Stewart & L.	55/1½	+0/1½
Thomas (R.)	13/4½	
Tob. Sec. T.	4	
Tate & Lyle	74/0	+0/6
Triplex Glass	43/6	
Tube Investment	5⅛	−1/32
Turner & N.	81/6*	
United Steel	26/0	−0/1½
United South.	4 3/16	
Utd. Molasses	38/3	
Vickers	18/4½	
Wall Paper Def.	44/0	
White Tomkin.	46/0	
Watney Def.	90/3	
Woolworth	66/6	

MINES

Ang.-Amer. Inv.	48/0	+1/0
Ashanti	62/0	+0/6
Bibiani	29/3	
Blyvoor	6½	
Brakpan	[illegible]	
Chartered	27/3	
Cons. Diamond.	34/0	+1/6
Cons. Af. Sel.	21/0	
Cons. G.F.	3⅜	−1/32
Crown	7¼	
Daggafontein	2½	
De Beers	16¾	+⅜
East Dagga	2 17/32	+1/32
East Geduld	9⅜	
E. Rand Prop.	2 1/32	
Geduld	7¼	
Govt. Areas	1 19/32	
J'burg Cons.	3⅜	
Langlaagte	7/6	
Libanon	24/6	+0/1½
Luipaards	18/9	
Marievale	33/3	
Nigel Gold	2 5/16	
Roan	9/9	+0/3
Rhod. Ang. A.	16/3	+0/9
Rhodesian Sel.	11/9	+0/3
Rhokana	6⅛	
Selection Trust	25/9	+0/3
Simmer & Jack	10/6	
Springs	15/3	
S.A. Land	2⅞	
Spaarwater	8/9	
Venterspost	2	
Vereeniging	77/6	
Victoria Falls	90/0	
Vlakfontein	1 19/32	
Vogels'bult	27/0	
West Holding	2 3/16	+1/32
West Reefs	3 7/32	+1/32
West Springs	1 7/32	
West Wits	14⅝	
Wit. Nigel	7/0	

OILS—RUBBERS

Anglo-Iranian	5⅜	−1/32
Attock	68/0	+0/6
Burmah	4 5/32	
Can. Eagle	13/7½	+0/1½
Mex. Eagle	10/1½	+0/1½
Shell	4⅛	
Trinidad Lease	4⅝	
Do. Pet. Dev.	4	+1/32
Ultramar	77/0	
Anglo-Dutch	20/1½	
Anglo-Malay	9/9	
Highlands	1	
Kuala Lumpur	1¼	
Malacca	16/9	
Malayalam	39/6	
Rubber Trust	24/9	
U Sua Betong	36/3	
Utd. Serdang	2/4½	

* Ex Dividend. † Ex Bonus.

News in Brief

Court Poor Box.—Over £26 was subscribed by solicitors on behalf of their clients to the poor box in the Dublin District Court yesterday.

Bus Passenger Fined. — In Dublin yesterday, District Justice O'Sullivan fined William McAllister, Lr. Beechwood avenue, Ranelagh, 20s., for having boarded a bus which operated on a minimum fare arrangement when he did not intend to travel the full journey.

Unemployment Figures.—The number of persons registered at the Employment Exchanges on December 16th was 67,164, an increase of 1,265 on the previous week. The number registered at the corresponding period last year was 73,686.

Unlicensed Drink Trade. — District Justice Lennon, in Dublin yesterday, fined Kathleen McKeown, proprietress, Beresford Hotel, Beresford place, £5 in one case, and £10 in another, for keeping for sale by retail intoxicating drink, without a licence.

Cyclist Fined for Traffic Breach.—District Justice O'Sullivan, in Dublin yesterday, fined Norman Bates, warehouseman, of 31 Kenilworth square, 20s., for having, while cycling, passed within six feet of a stationary tramcar at Portobello Bridge, and knocked down Mrs. Bridget Rooney (70), of 91 Grove Park, Rathmines, who was about to board the tram.

Woman for Trial.—In the Dublin District Court yesterday, Mary Ann Cadden, Upper Pembroke street, Dublin, was returned for trial by District Justice Farrell on a charge of unlawfully using an instrument with intent to procure a miscarriage. The hearing was *in camera*. She was allowed bail, herself in £200, with two sureties of £350 each.

Six Months for Shop-Breaking.—James Gethron (22), no fixed address, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, with hard labour, by Judge Wyse Power, in the Dublin Circuit Criminal Court, for breaking and entering the lock-up store of Messrs. Bolger, North Earl street, and stealing shoes and wearing apparel valued at £124 7s. 8d.

Army Matinée.—Over 1,500 officers and men of the Army were the guests of the Jewellery and Metal Manufacturing Company of Ireland, Ltd., and Metal Requisites, Ltd., at a matinée performance of "Mother Goose" in the Theatre Royal, Dublin, yesterday.

Dublin Child Injured.—A settlement for £100, without admission of liability, and a sum for costs, was announced before Mr. Justice Haugh in the High Court, Dublin, yesterday, in an action of Eileen Hunt (7), Queen's terrace, Pearse street, Dublin, against Patrick McCarthy, Granby place, Dublin, claiming damages for injuries suffered by her when she was struck by his lorry at Wentworth place, Dublin.

Housebreaking Charge.—Charged in the Dublin District Court yesterday with conspiracy and breaking and entering the house of Professor Felix Hackett, Zion road, Rathgar, and stealing property valued at £142 13s., James Tiswell (21), turf vendor, Keogh square, Inchicore, and George Cullen (23), labourer, Kells road, Crumlin, were remanded on bail till next Thursday.

N.U.I. MATRICULATION.
Classes for above and for all professional preliminary examinations at ROSSE COLLEGE, Stephen's Gn., Dublin, resume on Thur., Dec. 28. —(Advt.)

Railway Tribunal Dissolved

The Railway Tribunal, constituted twenty years ago, was dissolved yesterday at the Four Courts, Dublin, when tributes were paid to Judge D. O'Brien, the presiding judge since its formation. Regret was expressed at the passing of the Tribunal, and good wishes were offered to the judge in his retirement.

Judge O'Brien recalled that since the Court of the Railway Tribunal was established in 1924, a massive programme had been brought to completion. All the railways of the State had been amalgamated into one company. Classification of merchandise for carriage by rail had been determined; standard charges for the carriage of merchandise were settled; conditions of carriage of merchandise were also settled, and rules provided for the procedure of the Court—and all this apart from public sittings for trial of applications by suitors to the Court.

He had been ably assisted by Mr. John R. Kerr and Mr. Henry Mangan until their retirement in 1931. He also paid tribute to Mr. John O'Brien and Mr. J. J. Boylan, each of whom had been Registrar of the Court for a period of about ten years.

In conclusion, he said that, under the provisions of the Transport (No. 2) Act, 1944, a new company, Córas Iompair Eireann, would come into existence on January 1st next, and would absorb the present Great Southern Railways Company and the Dublin United Transport Company, Limited. He hoped that the new company would secure for the users of rail and road traffic a close approach to perfection of transport.

HOUSEBREAKING CHARGES

Before District Justice McCann in Dublin yesterday, Hugh Kilcullen and Thomas O'Callaghan were charged on remand with housebreaking, larceny and receiving at the house of Mr. Jerome O'Sullivan, Orvell Bank, Orwell Park, Rathgar.

Mr. H. Good, for Kilcullen, applied for bail, stating that his client had been in custody since December 4th.

Mr. E. J. Durnin (State Solicitor's Office) said that the State was prepared to agree to the hearing of this case on December 27th, in order to avoid delay.

The District Justice intimated that the evidence against O'Callaghan was of such a nature that the amount of bail in his case would have to stand at £100.

On the suggestion of the District Justice, it was agreed to accept independent bail of £15 in the case of Kilcullen, and the hearing was adjourned until December 27th.

SENTENCE QUASHED

The Court of Criminal Appeal (Mr. Justice Black, Mr. Justice Martin Maguire and Mr. Justice Gavan Duffy) yesterday quashed the sentence of six months' imprisonment, with hard labour, imposed by the Circuit Criminal Court last April on Michael C. Harte, Dolphin's Barn, Dublin, not to be enforced on his entering into a bond to keep the peace for two years, on a charge of having received a stolen bicycle. The Court allowed him the costs of the original trial and the costs of the appeal, and refused a certificate for leave to appeal to the Supreme Court on the question of jurisdiction to award the costs of the original trial.

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SUNDAY NEXT (CHRISTMAS EVE)
11.15—Preacher, The Dean.
3.15—The Nine Lessons and Carols.

CHRISTMAS DAY.
8—Holy Communion in the Lady C...
11.15—Te Deum—John Ireland. ... were shepherds—Handel.
12—Holy Communion. Choral. Prea... Canon Luce.
3.15—Evening Prayer. Christmas ... from Messiah.

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CHURCH...

TO-DAY
ST. PATRICK'S—10, Matins and Li... Evensong.
CHRIST CHURCH—10.45, Matins. ... "Messiah" (Part 1).
ST. ANN'S, Dawson st.—10, Litany. ...
CHRIST CHURCH, Taney—10, M.P. ...
ST. STEPHEN'S, Upr. Mount ... Matins and Litany. 5.30, Evensong.
ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S—8, H.C. ... Matins and Litany. 5, Evensong.
CHRIST CHURCH, Leeson Pk... Litany.
RATHFARNHAM—8, Advent Lectur... W. W. L. Rooke.
ST. WERBURGH'S—10.30, Litany ... tercession.

TO-MORROW
ST. PATRICK'S—10, Matins.
CHRIST CHURCH—10, Matins. 3...
ST. ANN'S, Dawson st.—10, Matins ...
CHRIST CHURCH, Taney—10, M.P. ...
ST. STEPHEN'S, Upr. Mount st.—10, ... 5.30, Evensong.
ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S—8, H.C. ... Matins. 8, Evensong and Preparation ...
CHRIST CHURCH, Leeson Pk.—9.4...
THE MAGDALEN CHURCH, Lr. ... st. (the Church's Ministry of Heal... E.P. and Preparation for Christma... munion.

SUNDAY
CATHEDRALS
ST. PATRICK'S—8, H.C. 11.15, The Dean. 12.15, H.C. 3.15, Nine ... and Carols.
CHRIST CHURCH—11, Matins and ... Rev. Robert J. Ross. 3.30, "M... (Part 1). 12.15, H.C. in the Lady C...
ST. ANNE'S, Belfast—8, 10.40 and ... H.C. 11.30, Matins and Litany. Th... 3.30, Evensong. Carol Service. 7, E... (Parochial). Carol Service.
ST. FIN BARRE'S, Cork.—8, H.C. ... M.P. and H.C.; Rev. E. P. Mill... Children. 7, E.P. and Carols.
ST. CANICE'S, Kilkenny—8.30, H.C. ... Matins, Rev. R. W. Ridgeway. 3.30 ... songs. 7, Carol Service.
ST. MARY'S, Limerick—8, H.C. ... Matins and H.C. The Dean. 3.30 ... Service.

CHURCHES AND CHAPELS
ST. MATTHIAS'S—11.30, M.P. an... Rev. Dr. de Pauley. 3, Children. 7... Rev. Dr. de Pauley.
ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S—7.45, Li... and 9.15, H.C. 11, Matins. Canon ... 12, Sung Eucharist. 3.30, Youth. ... song and Carols. 12 (midnight), C... Eucharist.
ST. ANN'S, Dawson st.—8, H.C. 1... 11.30, Matins; Rev. C. C. W. Brow... Evensong and Carols.
HOLY TRINITY, Rathmines—7.3... 10 and 11.15, Rev. J. D. Murra... Children. 7.15, Carol Service.
CHRIST CHURCH, Leeson Park—8... H.C. 11, M.P., Rev. H. J. V. F... 3.30, Children (Carols). 7.15, E.P. ...
ST. COLUMBA'S, Ranelagh—8, H... M.P.; Rev. N. H. Hamilton. 7... (Carols).
THE MAGDALEN CHURCH, ... Leeson st. (the Church's Ministry of ... 8, H.C. 11, M.P. and Litany; the C... No E.P.
ST. ANDREW'S, Suffolk st.—11.1... Rev. Dudley H. Clarke. 7.15, Carols.
ST. STEPHEN'S, Up. Mount st.—... 11, M.P., Litany and H.C.; Rev. ... Macrory. 7.15, E.P. and Christmas ...
ST. LUKE'S—11.30, H.C. 7.15, E.... S. Wheeler.
ST. MARK'S—11.30, H.C. 3.30, ... (Young People). 11.30 and 7, Rev... Hobson.
ST. WERBURGH'S—10.20, Children... the Rector. 7.15, E.P. and Carols.
ST. GEORGE'S—8, H.C. 11.45, M.... P. S. Wood. 7.15, Carols.
ST. AIDAN'S—8, H.C. 11.30, M.P.; ... B. Champ. 3.30, Children. 7.15, ...
ST. AUGUSTINE'S—11.30, M.P. a... Rev. B. Harvey. 3.30, Children. 7.15...
FREE CHURCH—10.15, M.P.; Rev... Wood. 7.15, Carols.
ST. MICHAN'S—11, M.P.; Rev. J. ...
ST. PAUL'S—11.30, M.P.; Rev. F. ... 7.15, Carol Service.
ST. MARY'S, 10.15, and Chapel ... 11.30 and 7.15 (Carols); Rev. Dr. Bo...
ST. KEVIN'S—10.15, H.C. 11.15, ... (Carols); Rev. S. C. Strong. 7.15...
DRUMCONDRA—10, H.C. and ... 11.30, M.P.; Rev. Austin Carry. 4, ... 7.15, E.P. (Carols).
NORTH STRAND—10, Short M... M.P. and H.C. 11.30, Rev. C. J. ... 7.15, Carols. 11 p.m. ...
IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS—11.3... Rev. C. Ellis. ...
... HOUSE CHURCH.—11.3... Rev. C. T. A. Carte...
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CHURCH NOTICES.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

SUNDAY NEXT (CHRISTMAS EVE).
11.15—Preacher, The Dean.
3.15—The Nine Lessons and Carols.

CHRISTMAS DAY.
8—Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel.
11.15—Te Deum—John Ireland. There were shepherds—Handel.
12—Holy Communion. Choral. Preacher—Canon Luce.
3.15—Evening Prayer. Christmas Music from Messiah.

RATHARNHAM PARISH CHURCH.
CAROL SERVICE
CHRISTMAS EVE (SUNDAY NEXT). 4.15 p.m.

CHURCH SERVICES

TO-DAY

ST. PATRICK'S—10, Matins and Litany. 4, Evensong.
CHRIST CHURCH—10.45, Matins. 7.30, "Messiah" (Part 1).
ST. ANN'S, Dawson st.—10, Litany.
CHRIST CHURCH, Taney—10, M.P.
ST. STEPHEN'S, Upr. Mount st.—10, Matins and Litany. 5.30, Evensong.
ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S—8, H.C. 10.30, Matins and Litany. 5, Evensong.
CHRIST CHURCH, Leeson Pk.—9.45, Litany.
RATHFARNHAM—8, Advent Lecture. Rev. W. W. L. Rooke.
ST. WERBURGH'S—10.30, Litany and Intercession.

TO-MORROW

ST. PATRICK'S—10, Matins.
CHRIST CHURCH—10, Matins. 3, Evensong.
ST. ANN'S, Dawson st.—10, Matins.
CHRIST CHURCH, Taney—10, M.P.
ST. STEPHEN'S, Upr. Mount st.—10, Matins. 5.30, Evensong.
ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S—8, H.C. 10.30, Matins. 8, Evensong and Preparation.
CHRIST CHURCH, Leeson Pk.—9.45, M.P.
THE MAGDALEN CHURCH, Lr. Leeson st. (the Church's Ministry of Healing)—8, E.P. and Preparation for Christmas Communion.

SUNDAY

CATHEDRALS

ST. PATRICK'S—8, H.C. 11.15, Matins. The Dean. 12.15, H.C. 3.15, Nine Lessons and Carols.
CHRIST CHURCH—11, Matins and H.C. Rev. Robert J. Ross. 3.30, "Messiah" (Part 1). 12.15, H.C. in the Lady Chapel.
ST. ANNE'S, Belfast—8, 10.40 and 12.45, H.C. 11.30, Matins and Litany. The Dean. 3.30, Evensong. Carol Service. 7, Evensong (Parochial). Carol Service.
ST. FIN BARRE'S, Cork—8, H.C. 11, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. E. P. Mills. 3.30, Children. 7, E.P. and Carols.
ST. CANICE'S, Kilkenny—8.30, H.C. 11.30, Matins. Rev. R. W. Ridgeway. 3.30, Evensong. 7, Carol Service.
ST. MARY'S, Limerick—8, H.C. 11.10, Matins and H.C. The Dean. 3.30, Carol Service.

CHURCHES AND CHAPELS

ST. MATTHIAS'S—11.30, M.P. and H.C. Rev. Dr. de Pauley. 3, Children. 7.15, E.P. Rev. Dr. de Pauley.
ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S—7.45, Litany. 8 and 9.15, H.C. 11, Matins. Canon Simpson. 12, Sung Eucharist. 3.30, Youth. 7, Evensong and Carols. 12 (midnight), Christmas Eucharist.
ST. ANN'S, Dawson st.—8, H.C. 10.15 and 11.30, Matins; Rev. C. C. W. Browne. 7.15, Evensong and Carols.
HOLY TRINITY, Rathmines—7.30, H.C. 10 and 11.15, Rev. J. D. Murray. 3.30, Children. 7.15, Carol Service.
CHRIST CHURCH, Leeson Park—8 and 11, H.C. 11, M.P.; Rev. H. J. V. Packham. 3.30, Children (Carols). 7.15, E.P. (Carols).
ST. COLUMBA'S, Ranelagh—8, H.C. 11, M.P.; Rev. N. H. Hamilton. 7.15, E.P. (Carols).
THE MAGDALEN CHURCH, Lower Leeson st. (the Church's Ministry of Healing). —8, H.C. 11, M.P. and Litany; the Chaplain. No E.P.
ST. ANDREW'S, Suffolk st.—11.15, H.C.; Rev. Dudley H. Clarke. 7.15, Carols.
ST. STEPHEN'S, Up. Mount st.—8, H.C. 11, M.P., Litany and H.C.; Rev. R. D. Macrory. 7.15, E.P. and Christmas Carols.
ST. LUKE'S—11.30, H.C. 7.15, E.P.; Rev. T. Wheeler.
ST. MARK'S—11.30, H.C. 3.30, Carols (Young People). 11.30 and 7, Rev. G. D. Hobson.
ST. WERBURGH'S—10.20, Children. 11.15, the Rector. 7.15, E.P. and Carols.
ST. GEORGE'S—8, H.C. 11.45, M.P.; Rev. T. P. S. Wood. 7.15, Carols.
ST AIDAN'S—8, H.C. 11.30, M.P.; Rev. C. B. Champ. 3.30, Children. 7.15, Carols.
ST. AUGUSTINE'S—11.30, M.P. and H.C. Rev. B. Harvey. 3.30, Children. 7.15, Carols.
FREE CHURCH—10.15, M.P.; Rev. T. P. Wood. 7.15, Carols.
ST. MICHAN'S—11, M.P.; Rev. J. Poyntz.
ST. PAUL'S—11.30, M.P.; Rev. F. W. Day. 7.15, Carol Service.
ST. MARY'S, 10.15, and Chapel of Ease, 11.30 and 7.15 (Carols); Rev. Dr. Emerson.
ST. KEVIN'S—10.15, H.C. 11.15, Children (Carols); Rev. S. C. Strong. 7.15, Carol Service.
DRUMCONDRA—10, H.C. and Litany. 11.30, M.P.; Rev. Austin Carry. 4, Children. 7.15, E.P (Carols).
NORTH STRAND—10, Short M.P. 11.30, M.P. and H.C. 11.30, Rev. C. J. Tyndall. 4, Children. 7.15, Carols. 11 p.m., Broadcast of Carols.
IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS.—11.30, M.P. 7.15, E.P.; Rev. C. Ellis.
KIRWAN HOUSE CHURCH.—11.30, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. C. T. A. Carter. 7.15, E.P. and Carols.
ST. PATRICK'S, Dalkey.—8.30, H.C. 11.30, M.P.; the Rector. 7, Carol Service.
CHRIST CHURCH, Taney—11.30, M.P.; Rev. J. C. Duggan. 7.15, E.P.; Carol Service.
ST. NAHI'S, Churchtown—10.15, H.C.; Rev. E. D. H. Slator. 3, Children (Carol Service).
ST. THOMAS'S, Mt. Merrion—8, H.C. 10.15 and 11.30, M.P.; the Rector. 7.15, E.P.; Carol Service.
ST. MARY'S, Crumlin—8, H.C. 11.15; Rev. H. B. Whyte. 4, Carols.
ST. PHILIP'S, Temple rd.—8, H.C. 11.15, M.P.; Canon H. C. Cave. 7.15, Carol Service.
CLONTARF—7.45, H.C. 11.15, M.P.; Rev. R. W. M. Wynne. 4.30, E.P.; Carols.
RATHFARNHAM—8 and 10.15, H.C. 10.15 and 11.30, Rev. J. W. T. Tuckey. 4.15, Lessons and Carols.
ST. MARY'S, Donnybrook—8, H.C. 11, Rev. W. J. Manning. 7.15, Carol Service.
CHRIST CHURCH, Dun Laoghaire—8, H.C. 11.15, Matins; Canon Ellison. 7.30, Carols and Lessons.
SANDFORD—11, Rev. John Marks. 7.15, Nine Lessons and Carols.
ST. MATTHEW'S, Irishtown—11.15, M.P.; Canon Cross (C. of I. Jews Society). 3, Children. 7, Carol Service; the Archbishop.
MISSION TO ADULT DEAF AND DUMB, Gregg Hall, Dawson st.—3.30, E.P.; Rev. John E. Telford.
ST. PHILIP and ST. JAMES'S, Booterstown—8, H.C. 11, Rev. T. F. Blennerhassett. 7.15, Carols.
CHRIST CHURCH, Carysfort—11.30, H.C.; Rev. E. M. Bateman.
ST. PAUL'S, Glenageary — 8, H.C. 11.30, Rev. N. L. Roberts. 7, Carols.
ALL SAINTS', Raheny—10.30, H.C. 11.30, M.P.; Rev. A. E. Gick. 7, E.P.; Christmas Carols.
ST. PAPPAN'S, Santry—10.30, M.P.; Rev. R. G. McCollum. 4, E.P.; Rev. W. R. A. Bond.
ST. MOBHI'S, Glasnevin—11, M.P.; Rev. W. R. A. Bond. 7.15, E.P. and Carols.
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, Coolock—12, M.P. and Carols.
ST. BRIGID'S, Stillorgan—11.15, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. W. H. Coulter. 6.30, Carol Service.
CHRIST CHURCH, Bray—8, H.C. 10.30, M.P.; Rev. W. W. L. Rooke. 4, Carol Service.
ST. PAUL'S, Bray—11.45, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. W. W. L. Rooke. 7, E.P. and Carols.
ZION, Rathgar—8, H.C. 10 and 11, Rev. J. E. Leeman. 4, Seven Lessons and Carols.
MAGEOUGH CHAPEL — 11, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. Canon Goff. 7.15, E.P.; Rev. Canon Goff.
KILL-O'-THE-GRANGE—8, H.C. 10.30, Children. 11.30, M.P. and Reading. 7 Christmas Carols.
MARINERS', Dun Laoghaire—8, H.C. 11.30, Rev. J. H. Ruby. 7.15, Carols.
HOLY TRINITY, Killiney—8 H.C. 11.30, Matins and H.C. 4 Carol Service.
KILLINEY, Ballybrack—8 and 11.15, H.C. 3.30, Children. 6.30, Carol Evensong.
MONKSTOWN.—8, H.C. 11.30, M.P.; Rev. G. A. Ruskell. 3.30, Children (Carol Service). 7.15, Special Carol Service.
CHRIST CHURCH, Delgany.—11.30, M.P. and H.C. 3.30, Carol Service.
WINDGATES, Delgany.—10.0, M.P.
HAROLD'S CROSS.—8 and 11, H.C. 11, Rev. N. V. Commiskey. 4.15, Carol Service.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

ABBEY Church, Rutland square—11.30 and 7.15, Rev. R. C. Elliott.
ADELAIDE Road — 11.15 and 7.15, Very Rev. Dr. R. K. Hanna.
ST ANDREW'S, Blackrock—11, Rev. J. Noel Thompson, No Evening Service.
ST. ANDREW'S, Bray—11, Rev. G. B. G. McConnell (Children). 7, Rev. G. B. G. McConnell (Carol Service).
CLONTARF — 11.30 and 7.15 Rev. J. Murray Moore.
DONORE—11.30 and 7, Rev. T. Bole.
HOWTH—11.30, Rev. J. McCaughey (Carol Service). No Evening Service.
DUN LAOGHAIRE—11.15, Rev. S. J. Park. No Evening Service.
LUCAN—10.15, Rev. Dr. J. A. H. Irwin.
MALAHIDE—4, Rev. J. McCaughey.
ORMOND QUAY AND SCOTS'—11.30, Rev. T. Byers (Youth). 7.15, Rev. T. Byers (Carols).
RATHGAR CHRIST CHURCH. — 11.30, Rev. R. Montgomery. 7.15, Carol Service.
SANDYMOUNT—11.30, Rev. J. S. Crockett. 3.30, Carol Service.
NAAS—12 noon, Rev. Dr. J. A. H. Irwin.
MISSION Church, Ormond quay—3, Sabbath School. 4.30, Evangelistic Service; speaker, Mr. E. Logan.
ST. COLUMBA'S School—8.15, Evangelistic Service; speaker, Mr. E. Logan.

METHODIST CHURCHES.

CENTENARY, St. Stephen's Green — 11, Rev. A. W. Gamble. 7.15, Carol Service.
BRIGHTON Road, Rathgar—11.15, Rev. E. Whittaker. 7.15, Rev. E. Whittaker (Carol Service).
CHARLESTON rd., Rathmines—11.30, Rev. R. Lee Cole. 7.15, "Let the People Sing." Service.

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GEORGE'S Hall—11.30, Rev. C. H. Crookshank. 7.15, Cinema Service.
DOLPHIN'S Barn—11.30, Rev. E. J. Mason. 7.15, Rev. T. A. Hartley.
INCHICORE—11.30, Rev. R. Greenwood.
DRIMNAGH—11.30, Rev. T. A. Hartley. 7.15, Rev. R. Greenwood.
ABBEY street—11.30, Rev. John England. 7.15, Carol Service; Rev. G. M. Bryson. 6.55, Prayer Meeting.
BLACKHALL Place—11.30, Rev. G. M. Bryson. 7, Rev. Chas. Wilson.
SANDYMOUNT—11 and 7.30, Rev. A. Collins.
RINGSEND—11.30, Mr. H. H. Forsyth. 3, Carol Service. 7, Rev. John England.
CLONTARF—11.30, Rev. George Watson. 7.15, Rev. J. L. Cairns.
CLONLIFFE—11.30, Mr. R. Boles. 7.30, Rev. C. H. Crookshank (Communion).
SUTTON—11.30, Rev. J. Lynham Cairns. 7, Rev. G. Watson.
DUN LAOGHAIRE — 11.15, Rev. S. J. Johnston.
BLACKROCK—11.30 and 7, Rev. W. T. Clarke.
DALKEY—11.30, Rev. B. C. Moran.
BRAY—11.30, Rev. M. J. Lewis.

OTHER CHURCHES AND HALLS.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (temporarily at 41 Kevin street).—11.30, Rev. Norman McPherson.
KILMAINHAM (Congregational).—11.30 and 7, Mr. Norman McGregor Burns.
GROSVENOR ROAD (Baptist).—11 and 7, Pastor L. E. Deens.
UNITARIAN, 112 Stephen's Green.—11.30 and 7.30, Rev. E. Savell Hicks.
RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS.—Meetings for Public Worship: 6 Eustace street, Dublin, 11; Monkstown, 11; Churchtown, 11; Bray, 11; Thursday, 6 Eustace street, 10.30.
MERRION HALL, Lower Merrion street.—12 and 7.15 Mr. Tom Rea.
FAIRVIEW HALL, Annesley Bridge road.—12, Mr. W. T. Callaghan. 7.15, Mr. George Orr.
FIRST DUBLIN SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION, 65 Adelaide road.—11.30 and 7.30.
NORTHUMBERLAND HALL, Dun Laoghaire.—3.15, Children. 7.30, Mr. R. V. Squire.
SYDNEY HALL, Blackrock.—7, Mr. R. N. Matheson.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, Dublin, Lr. Baggot street, is a branch Church of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass. Services, Sunday, 11.15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Sunday School, 11.15 a.m. Wednesday, Testimony Meeting, 7.45 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room (same address) open daily, except Saturdays, from 2 to 5. Sundays, 6-7 p.m.
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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Y.M.C.A., Lower Abbey street.—Sunday: 5, General Secretary's Bible Class; Boys' Department, Dr. C. Bowesman; 8.30, Carol Service; speaker, Rev. Martin Parsons.

CHRISTMAS DAY

CATHEDRALS

ST. PATRICK'S.—8, H.C. 11.15, Matins. 3.15, Evensong.
CHRIST CHURCH.—10, H.C. in the Lady Chapel. 11, Matins, H.C.; the Archbishop. 3.30, Evensong.
ST. FIN BARRE'S, Cork.—7 and 8, H.C. 11, M.P. and H.C. (Choral); the Bishop. 4, E.P. Music from "The Messiah."
ST. CANICE'S, Kilkenny—8.30, H.C. 11.30, Matins and H.C.; the Lord Bishop.

CHURCHES AND CHAPELS

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S—7, 8, 9.15 and 10, H.C. 11, Matins; Rev. Sydney Craig. 12, Festival Eucharist and Procession. 4, Festival Evensong and Carols.
CHRIST CHURCH, Leeson Park—7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, H.C. 11, M.P.; Rev. N. H. Hamilton.
ST. COLUMBA'S, Ranelagh—8 and 11, H.C. 11, M.P.; Rev. W. H. McClelland.
HOLY TRINITY, Rathmines—7, 8, 10 and 11.15, H.C. 11.15, Canon Tobias.
ST. ANN'S, Dawson st.—7, 8 and 10.15, H.C. 11.30, Matins and H.C.; the Vicar.
ST. STEPHEN'S, Up. Mount st.—7 and 8, H.C. 11, Matins and H.C.; Canon W. T. Grey.
ALL SAINTS', Raheny—8, 10.30 and 12, H.C. 11.30, M.P.; Canon Drury.
ST. KEVIN'S—8 and 10, H.C. 11.15, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. J. C. Robb.
ST. MATTHIAS'S—8, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. Dr. de Pauley.
ZION, Rathgar—7, 8, 10 and 11, H.C. 11, Chancellor L. Parkinson Hill.
THE MAGDALEN CHURCH, Lower Leeson street (the Church's Ministry of Healing)—8, H.C. 11, M.P. 11.30, H.C., Anthem and Sermon; the Chaplain.
ST. ANDREW'S, Suffolk st.—8, 10.30 and 11.15, H.C. 11.15, Rev. Dudley H. Clarke.
ST. LUKE'S—8, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. T. Wheeler.
ST. MARY'S, Chapel of Ease—8 and 11.30. Parish Church, 10.15; Rev. Dr. Emerson.
DRUMCONDRA — 8 and 10, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. C. J. Tyndall.
NORTH STRAND—H.C., 7, 8 and 10, M.P. and H.C. 11.30, Rev. Austin Carry.
ST. MICHAN'S.—8, H.C. 11, Rev. F. W. Day.
ST. PAUL'S.—7, 8 and 11.30, H.C.; Rev. J. Poyntz.
ST. MARK'S.—8 and 11.30, H.C. 11.30, Rev. G. D. Hobson.
ST. WERBURGH'S.—8, H.C. 11.15, M.P., H.C and Sermon.
ST. GEORGE'S.—7 and 8, H.C. 11.45, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. B. Harvey.
ST. AIDAN'S.—8 and 10.15, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. R. J. Kerr.
ST. AUGUSTINE'S.—8 and 10.15, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. T. P. S. Wood.
FREE CHURCH.—8, H.C. 10.15, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. B. Harvey.
ST. MARY'S, Crumlin.—7, 8, 10.15 and 11.15, H.C. 11.15, Rev. Walter Burrows.
KIRWAN HOUSE.—8 and 10, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. C. T. A. Carter.
IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS.—8.30, H.C. 11.30, M.P and H.C.; Rev. R. J. Coates.
KILL-O'-THE-GRANGE.—8, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.
ST. BRIGID'S, Stillorgan.—7.30 and 8.30, H.C. 11.15, M.P. and H.C.; Canon H. C. Cave.
ST. PAPPAN'S, Santry.—7, H.C. 10.30, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. W. R. A. Bond.
ST. MOBHI'S, Glasnevin.—8, H.C. 11, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. R. G. McCollum.
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, Coolock.—8, H.C. 12, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. W. R. A. Bond.
CHRIST CHURCH, Bray.—8, H.C. 10.30, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. Canon Campbell.
ST. PAUL'S, Bray.—7 and 8, H.C. 11.45, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. Canon Campbell.
SANDFORD.—7.15 and 8, H.C. 10, Children (Special Service). 11, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. Canon Harvey.
ST. PHILIP'S AND ST. JAMES'S, Booterstown.—7, 8, 10 and 11, H.C. 11, Rev. E. M. Bateman.
CHRIST CHURCH, Carysfort.—8 and 11.30, H.C., Rev. T. F. Blennerhassett.
ST. PAUL'S, Glenageary.—8 and 11.30, H.C. 11.30, Rev. N. L. Roberts.
ST. MATTHEW'S, Irishtown.—7 and 8, H.C. 11.15, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. John E. Telford.
CHRIST CHURCH, Taney.—7 and 8, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.; the Rector.
ST. NAHI'S, Churchtown.—10, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. Professor R. R. Hartford.
ST. THOMAS'S, Mount Merrion.—8 and 10, H.C.; 11.20, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. J. C. Duggan.
ST. PATRICKS, Dalkey.—7.30 and 8.30, H.C.; 11.30, M.P. and H.C.; the Rector.
MAGEOUGH CHAPEL.—8, H.C.; 11, M.P. and H.C.; Rev. Canon Goff.
ST. MARY'S, Donnybrook.—7, 8, 10 and 11, H.C.; 11, Canon Powell.
CHRIST CHURCH, Dun Laoghaire.—12 (midnight), 7, 8 and 10, H.C. 11.15, Matins. 12 (noon), H.C.; the Vicar.
CLONTARF.—7, 8 and 10, H.C. 11.30, M.P., H.C. and Sermon.
RATHFARNHAM.—7, 8 and 10.15, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.; the Rector.
ST. PHILIP'S, Temple road.—7, 8 and 11.15, H.C. 11.15, M.P.; Rev. W. H. Coulter.
HAROLD'S CROSS.—7, 8, 10 and 11, H.C. 11, Rev. W. G. C. Proctor.
HOLY TRINITY, Killiney.—8 and 9, H.C. 11.30 aM.tins and H.C.
MARINERS', Dun Laoghaire.—7, 8, 10, 11.30, H.C. 11.30, Canon Chamberlain.
KILLINEY, Ballybrack—8 and 11.15, H.C.
CHRIST CHURCH, Delgany.—8, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.
WINDGATES, Delgany.—10, M.P. and H.C.
MONKSTOWN.—7, 8 and 10.15, H.C. 11.30, M.P. and H.C.; the Rector.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

ABBEY CHURCH, Rutland square—11.30, Rev. R. C. Elliott.
ST. ANDREW'S, Blackrock—11, Rev. J. Noel Thompson.
ST. ANDREW'S, Bray — 11, Rev. G. B. G. McConnell.
CLONTARF—11, Rev. J. Murray Moore.
DUN LAOGHAIRE—11.15, Rev. S. J. Park.
LUCAN—11, Rev. Dr. J. A. H. Irwin.
RATHGAR CHRIST CHURCH—11.30, Rev. R. Montgomery.
SANDYMOUNT—11, Rev. J. S. Crockett.

METHODIST CHURCHES.

CHARLESTON rd., Rathmines—10.30, Rev. R. Lee Cole.
ABBEY Street—11.30.
GEORGE'S HALL—11, Communion.
SUTTON—10.45, Rev. G. Watson.
CLONTARF—10.30, Rev. J. L. Cairns.
CLONLIFFE—9, Rev. J. L. Cairns.
DUN LAOGHAIRE—10.30, Rev. S. J. Johnston.
BLACKROCK—8.
DALKEY—11.30, Rev. Robt. Moore.
BRAY—11, Rev. M. J. Lewis.
SANDYMOUNT—10, Rev. A. Collins.
BRIGHTON rd., Rathgar—8.

OTHER CHURCHES AND HALLS.

UNITARIAN—Rev. E. Savell Hicks.
RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS—Churchtown—8 and 11.
MERRION HALL, Lr. Merrion st.—12-1, Carol Service; Mr. E. P. Milligan.

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DWELLINGS FOR DUBLIN

It is rather a pity that the long awaited Report of the Dublin Housing Inquiry has appeared during the feverish days before Christmas, when the average citizen has small time or inclination for serious reading. It is more the pity because the Report is altogether admirable. Nearly four years have passed since Mr. M. P. Colivet, Chairman of the Housing Board, and his four colleagues concluded their investigations; but the result has been well worth the long wait. The Commissioners have traced the history of municipal housing in Dublin during the past two centuries, and in particular during the eight years before the war—from the time when the Housing Act of 1932 furnished the Corporation with new powers. They give all praise to the Corporation for its achievements during those eight years in the face of formidable difficulties. Analysing its declared programme, however, they are driven to admit that it "is not only impracticable, but leaves the ugly roots of the problem untouched." The reasons for this condemnation are mainly financial; but there is also the fact that the programme "ignores the needs of 30 *per cent.* of those in need of houses, and these the most helpless of all." Under the existing system, the Corporation is bound to give preference in housing accommodation to people who can pay the rent demanded—"uneconomic" as that rent is—and thus the hard core of the slum problem remains. Mr. Colivet and his colleagues prefer a more radical and far more flexible approach. They have submitted a new plan, based on the necessity to provide approximately 2,300 dwellings annually for twenty years. Their major recommendations are twelve in number, but only a few can be mentioned here. The chief point is that the prevailing system of fixed rents—all, of course, fixed at an "uneconomic" level—shall be replaced by a system of "differential rent rebates." In other words, while the rent remains fixed, the tenant shall pay according to his capacity to pay. If he can afford only a sixth of the economic rent, only so much will be required of him. If he can pay the full economic rent, it will be expected of him. "Anomalies," says the Report, "may occur, but experience will reduce them." One of the great virtues of this system, according to the Report, is that it will permit more effective clearance of slum-dwellers to their new homes. As matters stand, it is impossible to remove the inhabitants of an entire "clearance area" *en masse*, because precedence must be given —through no fault of the Corporation—to people in a position to pay the established rents. Under the system of differential rent rebates, a whole area could be shifted at the same time.

The remaining points are summarised elsewhere in this issue. Chief among them is a strong recommendation that houses shall be preferred to block flats. The Report, indeed, has little or nothing to say in favour of block flats as a contribution towards the housing of the working classes. From the point of view of cost, it describes their provision as "the biggest and most crippling factor tending to disrupt the financial basis of the Corporation's housing plans." The reason is, as our readers are well aware, that flats cost far more than houses of comparable size, and are let at lower rentals. The resulting burden upon the rates is scandalously heavy: as the Report observes, the ratepayers must contribute as much to one flat as to twelve cottages. In the next place, the advocates of "prefabrication" will learn with pleasure that Mr. Colivet and his colleagues are strongly on their side. Generally, however, all seriously-minded citizens will derive pleasure from this Report. Confidence is its keynote. The members of the Inquiry recognise the appalling difficulties that are inherent in any properly ambitious programme for the rehousing of Dublin, but they are confident that those difficulties can be overcome. The task will demand energy and co-operation. Citizens must be prepared to face a heavy demand on their purses, and there must be a thorough-going reform of the building industry, with a view to the reduction of costs; but there is no reason why the programme should not be accomplished in twenty years at the most, leaving the new houses—when the period of loan charges has expired—an asset rather than a liability to the ratepayer. We must remember, of course, that the Report cannot budget for the unknown conditions which will prevail after the war. It is based on the facts and figures of 1939: those of 1949 and 1959 are as yet unpredictable. Will the costs of building have gone down, or up? Will the conditions of the new world leave us poorer or richer? Will Ireland's "exiled" citizens return, and, if they do return, will they scatter themselves throughout the country at large, or will they concentrate themselves in Dublin, thereby swelling the demand for housing? National planning—*pace* Mr. Lemass—might help to answer that last question. For the time being, we are satisfied to congratulate all concerned in the Housing Inquiry—from Mr. Sean Milroy, who first moved for such an investigation, to the City Manager and other officials who supplied the essential data, and to the members themselves—on the production of a document which is bound to become the gospel of Dublin housing.

VISCOUNTESS SUIRDALE and the Hon. Michael Hely-Hutchinson, who arrived in Dublin this week, have left for Knocklofty, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.

Mrs. J. de Trafford has arrived in Dublin from London and is staying at the Shelbourne Hotel.

Colonel Howard Bury is staying at the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin.

Major and Mrs. E. A. Lowry-Corry have arrived in Dublin from Newcastle, Co. Down.

Colonel and Mrs. Atkinson have arrived in Dublin from Co. Down.

The engagement is announced of Dr. Patrick A. McNally, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. McNally, of Addison Lodge, Glasnevin, Dublin, and Betty, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hayes, of Parkway, Blackpool, Lancs.

The engagement is announced between Douglas Cran, youngest son of the late Henry and Mrs. Ewen, Dublin, and Mary (Molly) B. G., elder daughter of the late R. G. E. Ellis and of Mrs. Ellis, Malbay, Stillorgan road, Dublin.

The engagement is announced between Arthur Wolfe, L.D.S., The Chestnuts, Carlow, elder son of Ernest E. Wolfe and the late Mrs. Wolfe, Kinsale, Co. Cork, and Joyce, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ross, Pembroke, Carlow.

The marriage arranged between J. V. Callaghan, L.D.S., Port road, Letterkenny, and Miss Nora Ewing, Castle street, Letterkenny, will take place in Dublin early in January.

The marriage of Dr. John O'Neil Donnellon and Miss Margot O'Conor Donelan has been unavoidably postponed to Thursday, January 11th, 1945.

Doctor G. T. O'Brien, 4 Upper Fitzwilliam street, will be out of town until 3rd January.

Dr. Brian O'Brien has left 46 Fitzwilliam square until the 4th January.

Doctor E. A. Magennis will be out of town for one week.

Mr. B. T. Matthews has left 28 Laurence street, Drogheda, for one week.

Irish Personalities by "P.C."—Ireland's Who's Who in Pictures. The first of a series of exhibitions by Ireland's best-known photographer. One hundred brilliant camera portraits, all made this month. Now on view at 87 Grafton street. Admission 1/-.

During the Christmas holidays one of the biggest attractions will be the South County Dublin Harriers' Hunt Ball in the Spa Hotel, Lucan, on St. Stephen's Night, Tuesday, 26th December. Dancing from 9 to 3 a.m. There are a very limited number of tickets still available.

Meath Hunt Ball, at Gresham Hotel on New Year's Night, Monday, January 1st. Dancing, 10 to 3. Tickets inclusive of supper and tax, 20s. each. On sale at the Gresham Hotel, or from Mr. Frank Cannon.

Reserve Wednesday, the 24th of January, 1945, for the first annual Dance of Batchelor & Co. (Ireland), Ltd., Clery's Ballroom. Dancing, 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. Ticket (supper and tax included), 9s. 6d.

Switzer & Co., Ltd., will remain open on to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon. The premises will be closed on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next—reopening on Thursday morning.

Last two days to choose the gift you have just remembered . . . go to Arts, Ltd. (beside the Gresham Hotel); you can pick some lovely things there, or buy one of their attractive Gift Tokens that are issued for any amount . . . . Open all day to-morrow (Saturday).

An easy last-minute Gift — An attractive Reproduction or Decorative Mirror.—The Print Shops, 19 Nassau street and 8 South Anne street, Dublin.

Leaders of Fashion in all Spectacle wear.—Dixon and Hempenstall, Grafton street.

Turkeys, Chickens and Geese at Campbells, Chatham street, Dublin.

Gift Tokens available for any amount from Gibson Price, of Suffolk street.

Pictures for Xmas Gifts.—The Combridge Galleries, Grafton street.

Cherry coloured tweed suit, buttoning to throat, with Chinese neck, 9½ gns.—Slynes, Ltd., 71 Grafton st.

Shoes make very attractive Christmas gifts.—Stephens & Bourke.

Last-minute shoppers' hint—choose a Coat, Frock, Suit, or Ensemble from the collection at Lucy Scott's Salon, 32 Wicklow street.

Ladies' Needlework framed as Pictures, Firescreens or Trays.—Webb on the Quay, near McBirney's.

Glass Dressing Table Tops from 30s.—Plate Glass Silicate Marble Co., off South King st. (near Grafton st.).

L. Murphy, Ltd., 146 Lr. Baggot street (phone 62275), have large selection of Maids' Frocks and Apron Sets; also Hosiery, Lingerie and Children's Wear.

Sharpley's, Specialists, Baby Linen, Nursery Accouchement Sets. Price List.—2 Nassau street, Dublin.

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BROADCASTING

IRISH PROGRAMME

NEWS at 1.40, 6.40, 10.0 (Nuacht) and 10.10 p.m.

1.0-2.30—Concert. 6.0—The Fifth Joyful Mystery: "The Finding in the Temple." 7.0—"Trath le Ceol." 7.40—"Interlude." 7.45—"Yule-Log." Comedy by Philip Callan. 8.15—Elgar Symphony: Orchestra. 9.5—"Light Music." 9.10—Ceol Gaedhealach. 9.30—"The Garden": G. O. Sherrard. 9.45—Harry Brogan: Recitations. 10.30—"Serenade for Sleep."

B.B.C. HOME SERVICE

203.5 m., 391.1 m., 449.1 m., 48.54 m.
NEWS at 7 and 8 a.m.; 1, 6 and 9 p.m., and 12 midnight.

7.15—Exercises. 7.30—Weber. 7.55—"Lift Up Your Hearts!" 8.15—Kitchen Front. 8.20—Records. 9.10—Theatre Organ. 9.30—"Southern Serenade." 10.15—Service. 10.30—French Songs. 10.45—"Health Magazine." 11.0—Band. 11.30—"Musical Memories." 12.0—Geraldo and his Orchestra. 12.30—Break for Music. 1.15—Three-band Session. 2.0—"Melody Mixture." 2.30—"Unable to Appear." 3.0—Music While You Work. 3.30—Recital. 4.15—Story. 4.35—Jimmy Durante. 5.0—Welsh. 5.20—Children. 6.30—"Women's Page." 6.55—Radio Contest. 7.15—Two Pianos. 7.30—"Why We Don't Have More Children." 8.0—Glasgow Orpheus Choir. 8.30—"The Fiddler" (ghost story). 9.30—"Flotsam and Jetsam" 10.0—"How To Give a Party." 10.30—American Commentary. 10.45—Gaelic. 10.55—Jay Wilbur and his Orchestra. 11.30—Victor Silvester and his Orchestra.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE

296.1 m., 342.1 m.
NEWS at 7 a.m., 12 noon; 2, 4, 6 and 8 p.m.
NEWS HEADLINES at 8, 9, 10 and 11 a.m.; 1, 3, 9.15, 9.58 and 10.58 p.m.

6.30—"Record Album." 7.15—"Morning Star." 7.30—Music in the Morning. 8.2—"I Know What I Like." 8.30—Band. 9.20—Sibelius and Rachmaninoff. 10.2—"Ma Call." 10.30—Music While You Work. 11.10—Service. 11.15—"Here's Wishing You Well Again." 12.15—Light Orchestra. 1.2—Band. 1.30—"Strike a Home Note." 2.10 — Dance Music. 2.45 — "Sportsmen's Corner." 3.2—"Radio Newsreel." 3.15—Northern Orchestra. 4.15—Wickham Steed. 4.30 — Northern Orchestra. 5.0 — "Swing Club." 5.30—Band. 6.15—Request Records. 7.0 — "Merry-go-Round." 8.15 — Football Fixtures. 8.30—"These You Have Loved." 9.15—Jack Payne with his Orchestra. 10.0—"It's Up To You." 10.30—Music While You Work.

RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT

The President (Dr. Douglas Hyde) yesterday received the Rev. Dr Northridge, President of the Methodist Church in Ireland, and the Rev. R. Lee Cole, Chairman of the Dublin District.

THE SUN

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	9.40	9.40
Sets	5. 9	5. 9
Lighting-up time	5.39	5.39

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	5.25	6.35
Evening	5.39	6.53

"POEMS FROM IRELAND"

Reviewed by Desmond MacCarthy

Poems from Ireland: Edited by Donagh MacDonagh. The "Irish Times." 7/6 net.

THE very title of this book is like a message to those who dwell in England. Perhaps that was why it was sent me to review. What would an old Anglo-Irish critic make of these ninety-three poems by forty-one different poets, chosen from the verse contributed to the *Irish Times* during the past ten years? Might not his comments, if not interesting in themselves, at least be so by implication? Indeed, I hope they may be, and to increase that chance I will be frank.

The first time I read these poems I was disappointed. Few seemed to me of striking merit, and of those several were written by the dead—by Yeats or Higgins.

The Editor of the *Irish Times* must be proud that Yeats confided to its pages "Under Ben Bulben," his poetic last will and testament, and here reprinted. Maybe I shall have a word or two to say about the advice he gave in it to poets younger than himself.

But most of these poems have been written since the war began, and since when the paper's weekly literary page has hardly ever failed to show a poem.

F. R. Higgins

Higgins must have delighted the old Yeats. His zest, at once earthy and refined, "the wild thought that sang in his noddle," the exactness of his reckless comparisons and the loquitive vigour of his speech—such were qualities after his heart. In spirit, too, he was as Irish as Yeats himself. I have been told they were cronies. I am not surprised. Here Higgins is represented by three poems, probably well known to all—"Dawn Madness," showing him capable of rapture; "The Boyne Walk," and "The Auction," both favourites of mine. Do you remember the description in the last of a house of ghosts among "gardens where even the spring is old"?—

> See there before you grace gone wild
> And beauty run to earth, a land
> Of gentleness that's all shop soiled
> *Going, going, gone. . . .*
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> Well, God be with the days of power—
> Those ending with the crinoline,
> When strength shone like an oak in flower
> From minds that tied their time between
> Old books, old wine, and ladies seen
> All musical in candle light;
> What then seemed bright by now seems mean
> With things of wisdom, grace and might
> *Going, going, gone.*

Note here the *curiosa felicitas*, "the happy luck," of that phrase, "beauty run to earth," with its suggestions both of a garden run to seed and hunted beauty driven out of sight. On the opposite page to "Dawn Madness" lies a poem by Mr. John Hewitt, "The Splendid Dawn." This is remarkable not only for descriptive power, but for expressing a mood not, as far as I recollect, expressed in verse before. It is not rapture, but a depression. I have felt it myself spring from contrast between one's own predicament and some glory in the sky which may well prove

> A dawn too splendid and too vast for one
> Lonely and cold in an unfriendly place.

And, speaking of descriptive powers shown in this anthology, those of Mr. Francis MacManus, in "Pattern of Saint Brendan," are masterly both in vigour and in rhythm. Again, Mr. W. R. Rodgers's "Gale in Autumn" buffets and stuns one like reality itself. I have staggered five times through his crashing linguistic devices. Impressed?—Yes, immensely. Delighted?—I'm not quite so sure.

Joseph Campbell is an excellent craftsman. He shows it in "Blanaid's Song" and in "May Night." The latter, a piece of pure fantasy, transforms summer twilight into an Eastern masquerade. This would be valueless if it were not done with fine ingenuity, but it is. It is not worth much as poetry; yet it can be enjoyed with a fastidious relish. His "Spring in Wartime" would rank higher but for the pointlessness of the last line of his refrain. Each of the three verses remind us, like Hardy's "In the Breaking of Nations," of permanent things in contrast with wartime:—

> Plough and furrow meeting,
> Ewelamb from pasture bleating,
> Blood in heart upsurging,
> Lover to lover urging.
> —Only bayonets rust and die
> Under the madness of God's eye

Why, in the name of sense and sensibility, "God's madness"? The little poem is meant to draw attention to the madness of man.

Mr Frank O'Connor's translation of "To Tomaus Costello at the Wars" is strong and fluent—in fact, just what such a Gaelic poem should turn out to be in English verse. Mr. Seumas O'Sullivan's "Invitation in Autumn" is charming, and Mr. Patrick MacDonogh's "Snare" a sharp thrust—poetry driving home pain. But favourite among this recent verse is Mr. Kavanagh's "A Glut on the Market," so humorous, true and poetical, which begins

> My soul was an old horse
> Offered for sale in twenty fairs;

and ends

> No more haggling with the world
> . . . .
> As I said these words he grew
> Wings upon his back; now I may ride him
> Every land my imagination knew.

"Learn Your Trade"

And yet at first reading I was disappointed with this collection of poems from Ireland. This was due, I think, to Mr. Donagh MacDonagh's introduction; it made me expect too much. This anthology cannot be considered an appendix to the "Golden Treasury of Irish Verse," though it reflects great credit on the *Irish Times*. Some of the poets represented by their contributions happen not to have been at their best. Mr. Louis MacNeice for one, Mr. Austin Clarke for another—both have written better poems. And where are Dr. Gogarty and Mr. Dodds? The natural consciousness—or, to speak more correctly, that half-consciousness out of which the heart of any people speaks in its abundance—finds expression, but it is not always saying its best. And doubtless Mr. MacDonagh has endeavoured to compromise between choosing the very best and giving as many contributors as possible a place in his selection.

One piece of advice in Yeats's poetic will and testament runs thus:

> Irish poets, learn your trade,
> Sing whatever is well made—

That is to say, aspects of life which have already some form and grace. It is not an easy counsel to follow to-day, when so many chaotic things are clamouring for expression. Mr. MacDonagh speculates hopefully upon the further effect of the fresh output of Gaelic verse upon the manner and matter of English-writing Irish poets. Many of these poets, however, are imitating the intellectualised diction of modern English poetry. And what has sometimes withheld me from admiring their poems is that phrasing which I am sick of over here—"the sun's encyclical," the wild groping of memory for the elusive fixative, "the deliberate bough"—Fraser's "Golden Bough," of course—"has sung to sun"—and so forth.

Cruiskeen Lawn

By Myles na gCopaleen

I HAVE received, presumably for racking and reducing, a copy of a journal named *The Licensed Vintner & Grocer*. Extraordinary the obsession that drink can be! Of groceries in this journal there is not a solitary word; of drink, mention after mention on every page. The journal is described in a sub-title as "Ireland's only licensed trade journal." Damn nonsense, of course. The Jamesons—sorry, the Powers that Be are licensing everything and everybody—you can't even get married without a licence—the dogs in the streets have licences—but things have not yet got to the stage of licensing trade journals. I therefore strike and disallow this bogus claim that the journal is licensed, to the exclusion of competitors.

"Up to the moment of penning these lions," a writer in the journal says, "no further developments—"

No, wrong. Here's what he says:

"Up to the moment of penning these lines no further developments have taken place in connection with the representations to the Department of Supplies for permission to increase the retail price of whiskey from 1s. 10d. to 2s. per glass . . . The claim is more than justified. Indeed, in several parts of the country the position is so keenly realised that the price sought has been charged for a long time . . . . The decision of the Department is awaited with interest."

But surely not in these "several parts of the country" where the Department's writ does not run?

Furthermore

There are various other questionable remarks in this publication. For instance: "The most important thing to learn about Irish whiskey is that it is made from a mash . . ."

Wrong again. Remark struck out and disallowed. Actually the most important thing to learn about Irish whiskey is that it is very potent, induces laughter, blather and the desire to fight, compels addicts to enter nursing homes and even coffins. You acquire no immunity from its effects by the knowledge that it is made from a mash. It can cause pain even to teetotallers—where, for instance, they are compelled to listen to some toper commenting on the amount of "fusel oil" in what he is drinking. No drinker has any conception of the meaning of this term "fusel oil," any more than the Glengariff tourist knows the meaning of the "sub-tropical vegetation" he insists on talking about. Here is another extract:

"It must not, for instance, be presumed that, because whiskey is 53% pure alcohol and claret 15%, claret is therefore, practically a teetotal drink. All depends on the quantity consumed."

I don't know about that. A few glasses of claret could have quite an effect if taken on top of say, eight glasses of whiskey.

True Story

Here is a drink story *not* taken from the journal. A man purchased a bottle of whiskey bearing a very well-known name and on tasting it, concluded it was poison. Conceiving that he was doing the distillers a favour by drawing their notice to this outrage on their name and prestige, he sent them a sample for examination. Here is the extraordinary reply he got:

"We much regret we are unable to comply with your request, as it is against our rule to express an opinion on samples submitted to us in this way once the whiskey has left our possession. We would suggest your taking the matter up with your supplier."

If they have a rule to express an opinion on samples submitted, how could this request be against the rule? And how wonderful the readiness to express an opinion on whiskey once it has *not* left their possession!

T.C.D. NOTES

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

THE principal problem of most students after graduation is to find a suitable job. They are assisted in this task by the Appointments Association, the secretaries of which—Dr. A. J. Leventhal, M.A., Ph.D., and Miss B. Nichols, LL.D.—do a good deal of quiet and efficient work in their headquarters in the West Theatre Buildings. The association's report for last year, which has just appeared, states that 64 registrations of students and graduates were made during the year. Most of them were made by prospective engineers, tutors and teachers.

The number of registrations received is still considerably lower than it was in pre-war years, as most students have decided beforehand to go abroad after graduation. The report also gives a list of the appointments which have been made during the year. Out of 104 appointments made, 76 were obtained through the association. Teaching, with 34 appointments, and tuitions, with 24, absorbed the majority of the students, while engineering, with 25 appointments, also formed a considerable bulk. There is a comparative shortage of teachers, especially for country schools.

The D.U. Biological Association at their last meeting deviated from their usual procedure by showing two sound films, "Blood" and "Sleep," which were well received by a large audience. A few "non-medicals," however, seemed somewhat at sea during the film on "Blood," as the sound-track ceased to operate and their ostentatiously displayed ignorance provided the medical students with a good deal of amusement. Apart from this minor blemish, the "Bi" must be congratulated on this entertaining and instructive enterprise.

HOSPITAL "AT HOME"

An "At Home," held at the Rotunda Hospital, Dublin, yesterday, by the Master (Dr. Ninian McI. Falkiner, Sc.D., F.R.C.P.I.) and the Lady Superintendent (Miss E. H. Hill), was attended by a large number of guests. During the evening, members of the nursing staff, assisted by well-known singers, sang a programme of Christmas carols. The conductor was Miss Sylvia Fannin, and the singers included Mr. Richard Cherry, Mr. R. Crowe, Mr. and Mrs. Yoakley, Mrs. M. Thrift, Dr. R. R. Woods, Major Birch, Mr. C. Bradshaw, Mr. J. Groocock, Dr. E. Fannin, Mr. Mallalieu, Mr. R. Figgis, Mr. Aldwell, Miss Sprall, Mr. K. Crowe, Mrs. McHugh and Mrs. Crowe.

CONSECRATION OF A BISHOP

The Dean of Belfast, the Very Rev. W. P. Kerr, B.D., will be consecrated Bishop of Down and Dromore at Belfast Cathedral on January 28th.

RECTOR APPOINTED

The Rev. Frederick Rudolph Mitchell, B.A., Incumbent of Achill, has been nominated to the vacant incumbency of the united parishes of Monasterevan and Nurney.

AN IRISHMAN'S DIARY

Seal Show

YESTERDAY morning, a show began in a small way in Grafton street that was later to build up into a quite breath-taking series of improbable events.

Around midday I found the actor, Gerard Healy, seated at a table in a disused Grafton street shop. The outside of the shop was plastered with notices to the effect that Christmas Seals, in aid of the anti-tuberculosis section of the Irish Red Cross, were being sold by well-known stars of the Dublin stage. The notices also held out the offer of autographs on Christmas cards at the same time.

Seething about in the shop were a number of young men. They experimented with a loud-speaker. They continually told one another that something must be done to bring in the crowds.

Without warning, one of them seized the microphone, and gave an impression of Mr. Winston Churchill through the amplifier to the astounded shoppers. The speech began: "The T.B. hordes are sweeping over Dublin. . . ." After a moment or two he lost his nerve, and buried his face in a newspaper.

Hamlet in Grafton Street

Mr. Healy, in jest, made the proposal that he recite a few lines from "Hamlet." One of the young men immediately said: "That's it—T.B. or not T.B." He sat down at the table, and there and then wrote out an appropriate parody of the famous speech. Mr. Healy said with great firmness: "That's only my idea. Of course, I'm not going to do it."

I left them. When I came back the table had been moved out into the door of the shop, and there sat Phyllis Ryan, looking beautiful and a little apprehensive. Business was a lot better. Then Meriel Moore and Pauline Forbes arrived, and took their place at the table. The seals started to go by the sheet.

There was a commotion in the street outside. Four young men appeared pushing a piano on a small trolley. The piano was eventually conveyed into the shop and set up in the window; but at this time there was no sign of the pianist. There was a good deal of conversation about getting a dance-band, and, if possible, a small troup of dancing girls from one of the theatres.

An old lady came in. She said: "I want to see Mr. Hilton Edwards, and it isn't about Christmas seals." She was persuaded to leave.

I do not know, at the moment, what further developments there have been; but it seems that anything is liable to happen. The show will be open until Christmas Eve.

The Bird is Flown

A ravening horde of customers flung themselves upon the hapless Augustus Cæsar, to the number of 237. These dim old eyes became nearly opaque, confronted again and again with: "Flavia's mother was 49." I have grown to loathe Flavia, her mother and the figure 49.

Of the 237 competitors eight were wrong. These people I love. They are the simple, gentle ones—the kind who go through life without ever making the headlines, but spreading around them kindliness and goodwill. I am deeply sorry I cannot reward them for their gentle imbecility; but turkeys are a high price.

First out of the hat was Miss Josephine Gannon, of 356 North Circular road, Dublin. Twenty-four hours ago I would have had great pleasure in giving details of Miss Gannon's method of solution, reeling out yards of stuff about x, y, and the suitable factors; but now I cannot stand factors, x, y or that fearful Flavia.

Nobody seems to know how to pronounce Flavia. Several people rang up about her. One called her Flavia with a short a—the next one spoke of "Flayvia." There was even a third version—the almost unbearable "Flaveea."

This whole business has been very bad for my Christmas twitch.

Out of the Mouths

Before the 237 pieces of paper—five of which were telegrams—are incinerated, here are some extracts from the answers:

Several people, excited by Flavia, Flayvia, Flaveea, replied in Latin, and gave the answers in Roman numerals. Three answered in Irish, but took care to provide the result in English. Somebody else sent in his answer in an envelope, covered with drawings of what appeared to be broken fried eggs. What this was about I cannot say.

The most charming reply came from Brendan Kearney, aged nine, of Cabra. He said: "Flavia's mother was 49, now please send the torkey. I see you say I wish I could get my hands on the man who sends in solutions writing with his left hand and his tonge out at the corner of his mouth. I wright in all sincerity with my tonge in my cheek, and I say you are the best jorilist in the world. Would you believe I was stiff for three days after reading of your cycle to Galway. Your quest for copy rivals famous jorilists like H. M. Stanley. You risk the perls of the deep in going out to the Kish. You even face into schools for copy."

Master Kearney, when you say: "I wright in all sincerity with my tonge in my cheek," you stand on the threshold of being a very great jorilist yourself.

Sweet Sorrow

Now some system has to be devised by which poor Augustus Cæsar gets together with Miss Josephine Gannon. (The number of people who hoped that the wretched bird wasn't as old as Flavia's mother!)

I think it would be suitable in every way if Miss Gannon could call at this office at 5.30 p.m. this evening. Augustus will then be presented to her in a slaughtered condition.

And if a tear were to trickle down this ravaged cheek at the parting, perhaps Miss Gannon would dry it with one of Augustus's more wholesome feathers.

Meanwhile, to the unsuccessful competitors, and to everybody else who has played games with this department during the year, a Happy Christmas.

I should like to say that I'm as nervous as a bird about the double Christmas Eve.

QUIDNUNC.

LONDON LETTER

59 FLEET ST., LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

THE first appointment by the University of Oxford of a woman professor has received a wide welcome. She is Dr. Ida Mann, Fellow of St. Hugh's College, Oxford, and Senior Surgeon at the Oxford Eye Hospital. Dr. Mann is to hold the title of Professor so long as she remains Margaret Ogilvie's Reader of Opthalmology, and her salary is to be £2,000 a year on condition that she gives up private practice for profit.

The appointment marks an important stage in the scheme for which the university has collected over £100,000 of a target of £250,000 during the past eighteen months. The money is being devoted to research into the fundamental problems affecting vision, particularly biochemical problems. Dr. Mann has written several books and many papers on opthalmological and embryological subjects.

Virtues of Aldermen

Rear-Admiral Beamish's suggestion in the House of Commons that the aldermanic system should be abolished has not found substantial support in local government circles here.

The Admiral declared that the system is "thoroughly out of date and wrought with unpleasant possibilities of log-rolling and worse."

There are two points of view. One is that Aldermen have a "steadying" influence on new Councillors and that it is a good thing that Councillors should be elected Aldermen by the Council in appreciation of their services. The other view is that it is a bad policy that Aldermen are re-elected year after year without facing the electorate—the usual period is a minimum of six years of office—and that there are places in which Aldermen have got on to Councils on the votes of the grandparents of the people they are supposed to represent.

White Turkey

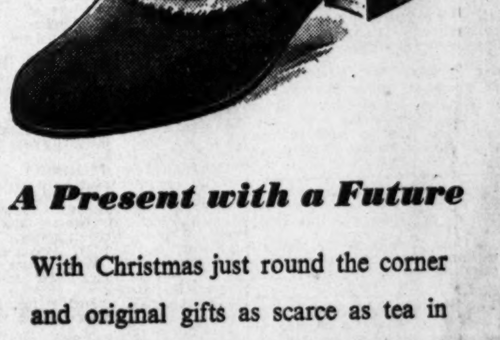
Have you ever seen a white turkey? The great majority of people here will not see any sort of turkey this Christmas. Only between two and three of Great Britain's eleven million families will be lucky.

There is a white turkey in the little village of Arncliffe in the Upper Wharfdale district of Yorkshire. The turkey is being reprieved for the third Christmas in succession, partly because of its colour, but, perhaps, more for the reason that a regular spate of large white eggs, spotted with black dots, have again been making their appearance during December.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS

The following have been elected members of the Committee of the Irish Commercial Travellers' Association for 1945:—

Messrs. James Coghlan, John Delaney, Ernest J. Tucker, William J. Quigley, Daniel O'Brien, R. W. Killen, S. A. Thompson, J. H. Greene, J. Nevin, G. E. Reid, J. Kernan, P. F. Holland, T. Brosnan, N. Flavin, P. J. Nealon, T. McNulty, John M. Quigley, Charles J. Kelly, S. R. Erskine, W. M. Birmingham, M. F. Hopkins, W. McGreevey, A. M. Browne, P. McCartan, F. McDonnell, J. A. Rutledge, J. H. Kane.



A Present with a Future

With Christmas just round the corner and original gifts as scarce as tea in Tipperary, do your best to secure a pair of these cosy fleece lined slippers for someone you really like. Styled by Clarks, their fine craftsmanship and perfect fit will see many a Christmas in and out.

Supplies are limited, but well worth seeking.

Styled by Clarks

Made by CLARKS IRELAND LIMITED, DUNDALK.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

Notices in this Column (which must be authenticated) are charged for at 1/- per line (minimum 3/-).

BIRTHS

KELLY—December 16, 1944, to Ruth (*née* Gwynn), wife of Austin Kelly, of Prospect, Templeogue, a son.

PITCHERS—December 18, 1944, at Hatch Street Nursing Home, to Melissa (*née* Nesbitt), wife of Thomas Pitchers, 38 Ailesbury road, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

BUNWORTH and WINCKWORTH—December 6, 1944, at St. Anne's Parish Church, Dublin, by the Rev. Treasurer McConnell, St. Luke's, Cork, assisted by Ven. the Archdeacon of Dublin and the Rev. G. T. Berry, Mullingar; Lyall William, Lieutenant, 6th Bn., Defence Forces, son of R. J. Bunworth and Mrs. Bunworth, Bellevue, Cobh, to Theodosia Mary (Theo), daughter of J. M. Winckworth and Mrs. Winckworth, 10 Greville street, Mullingar.

GREENE and CROOKSHANK-HAY—October 26, 1944, Frederick, elder son of Thomas Cooke and Mrs. Greene, Ballygahan, Avoca, to Jessie, only daughter of Thomas Alex and Mrs. Crookshank-Hay, Warrington, Lancashire, formerly of Aberdeen.

SILVER WEDDING

DOCHERTY and KINNINMONT—December 22, 1919, at the Church of the Assumption, Booterstown, Dr. Joseph F. Docherty to Sylvia Kinninmont, Shamrock Lodge, 159 Lr. Rathmines road, Dublin.

DEATHS

BOWDEN (Skerries)—December 21, 1944, at her residence, Milverton, Skerries, Rose, relict of the late George Bowden. Funeral to-morrow (Saturday), at 11 o'clock a.m., at Holmpatrick Cemetery, Skerries. "Peace, perfect peace."

CHRISTIE—December 20, 1944 (suddenly), at Kilfenora, Temple Gardens, Dublin, Keith, loving husband of Irene, and younger son of the late R. W. Christie. Funeral (postponed until Saturday morning) arriving Dean's Grange, 10 o'clock. No flowers, by request.

FRAYNE—December 21, 1944, Mary, dearly loved wife of Ambrose A. Frayne, The Park Colehill, Mullingar. Funeral from Mullingar Hospital to-morrow (Saturday), December 23, via Ballymahon, to Moydow Church, arriving 3 o'clock (S.T.), approx.

JOHNSON—December 21, 1944, at her home, Glenorney, Galway, Hilda Johnson. Funeral private. "The souls of the righteous are in the Hands of God."

McNEILE—December 21, 1944, Olive Charlotte, Brierly, Duleek, County Meath. Funeral (private) to-morrow (Saturday) at 2.30 at Duleek Church.

O'DONNELL (Limerick)—December 21, 1944, at his residence, Corona, S.C. road, John J. O'Donnell (late G.P.O., London). Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Requiem Mass at St. Michael's Church this (Friday) morning at 10 o'clock. Funeral afterwards to Mount St. Lawrence Cemetery.

SEXTON—December 21, 1944, at his residence, 125 The Quay, Waterford, Horace E. Sexton, aged 67 years. House and funeral strictly private. "God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform."

THORNHILL—December 20, 1944, at Hospital for Incurables, Donnybrook, Mary E., widow of George Thornhill, 14 St. Lawrence road, Clontarf. Funeral private. "At Rest."

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this column will be found in Page 3.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

WARD—The family of the late Mrs. Catherine Ward, Roedean, 122 Kimmage road, East, Terenure, Dublin, desire to return sincere thanks to all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement: to those who sent Mass cards, letters, telegrams, and who called personally, attended the church and funeral. They trust this will be accepted by all in grateful acknowledgment.

IN MEMORIAM

GIBSON—In loving remembrance of Weenie, December 22nd, 1937.—Vi.

SKINNER—In loving memory of William J. Skinner, R.I.P. County Registrar of Tipperary, who died on the 22nd December, 1943.

TAYLOR—In loving memory of Jack Taylor, December 22nd, 1935.

Phone 62607. **NICHOLS** Estd. 1814. COMPLETE FUNERAL FURNISHERS. Coffins, Horse and Motor Funerals, etc. PRIVATE MORTUARY. LOMBARD ST. (WESTLAND ROW)

1832 **WALLER** 1944. FENIAN ST. (formerly Denzille St.), MERRION SQUARE. PRIVATE MORTUARY. DAIMLER MOTOR HEARSES & CARS. Phone 61275. Wires: "Undertaker, Dublin."

MURRAY'S, FUNERAL UNDERTAKERS. MODERN MOTOR FLEET. **73 MESPIL ROAD Phone 62005**

PUBLIC NOTICES.

DUBLIN PILOTAGE BYE-LAWS.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the DUBLIN PORT and DOCKS BOARD, as Pilotage Authority for the Dublin Pilotage District, intend to apply to the Minister for Industry and Commerce for confirmation of an amending Bye-Law to be made by them under Section 17 of the Pilotage Act, 1913, to enable further sums to be transferred from the Pilotage Reserve Fund to the Pilot Fund, if and when necessary.

A copy of the proposed Bye-Law may be seen at the Offices of the Board at 19 Westmoreland street, Dublin.

Any objections to the proposed Bye-Law may be addressed to the Secretary, Department of Industry and Commerce (Transport and Marine Branch), Kildare street, Dublin, within fourteen days from the date hereof, and at the same time a copy should be forwarded to the undersigned.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1944.

R. F. LOWE, Secretary.
Dublin Port and Docks Board, 19 Westmoreland street, Dublin.

WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL.

MIDWIFE WANTED

Applications are invited from qualified persons for the position of Midwife of the Killanne Dispensary District at a salary of £60, rising by annual increments of £5 to £80 a year, with temporary emergency bonus of 4s. a week subject to review.

Applications, stating age and experience, and accompanied by Certificate of Registration with Central Midwives' Board, should be lodged with me not later than 12 o'clock noon (official time) on Tuesday, 2nd January, 1945.

T. A. FRIZELLE, Runaidhe Sealadach.
Halla na Conndae, Loch Garmain. 18/12/'44.

CORPORATION OF DUBLIN.

NOTICE OF CLOSING OF PUBLIC ROAD

Notice is hereby given that the coastal roadway at Dollymount between Mount Prospect avenue and Watermill Lane will be closed to vehicular and pedestrian traffic as and from the 2nd January, 1945, until further notice.

P. J. HERNON, City Manager and Town Clerk.
City Hall, 20th December, 1944. B46 W.H.Co.

CORPORATION OF DUBLIN

DOMESTIC REFUSE COLLECTION.

There will be no collection of domestic refuse in any district of the Dublin Municipal Area on Christmas Day or on St Stephen's Day.

P. J. HERNON, City Manager and Town Clerk.
City Hall, 22nd December, 1944.

REGISTRATION OF CLUBS ACTS, 1904-1927.

Take notice that I intend making application for a Renewal of the Certificate of Registration of the North Munster Masonic Club, The Crescent, Limerick.

J. G. BOYD, Hon. Secretary.

NATIONAL MATERNITY HOSPITAL, DUBLIN.

MIDWIFERY TRAINING FOR STATE-REGISTERED NURSES.

Vacancies are available for Training at this Hospital, with payment of fee. For particulars apply:—MATRON.

Great care is taken that advertisements published in this paper appear correctly, but no liability is taken for any error in, or omission of, any advertisement. The proprietors reserve the right to omit or alter any advertisement, no matter where or by whom accepted.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST, Parker Fountain Pen; name inscribed; vicinity Dame st. to Henry st., 19th Dec.; reward. Box D 1271.

LOST, Lady's Gold Wristlet Watch, Omega, with gold expanding bracelet, between N.C. road and Grafton street, December 21st. £5 reward. Box E 209.

SITUATIONS VACANT.

NOTICE — Unless otherwise stated, all vacancies advertised hereunder are for employment in Ireland (exclusive of the Six Counties of Northern Ireland).

Céardaıde saoıste (bean) ag teastáil do mhonarcain bréagán i gcuan eilıde, Co. Muıgeó (100 Oibrıte).

Ní mór taithíge beit ag an iarratóir ar déantús bréagán nó ar déantús ball éadaig ornáideacha ban nó páistí. Ní folair ní beit oilte i riarad oibrithe agus fuireann oifige. Caithfí an t-iarratóir beit ábalta an gnó ar fad do stiúradh tré Gaedilg. Tuarastal i dtosac 60/- sa t-seachtain móide bónus éigeandála (8/- sa t-seachtain fé láthair) á méadú gach bliain go 80/-.

Cuirtear iarratais roimh an 1/1/'45, maille le tuairisc ar cháilíocht, aois, srl., chuig:—

An Bainisteóir, Gaeltarra Éireann, Át Cliat.

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AGENT Wtd. to Sell Lubricants in South and Midlands; good commission. Box E 176.

ENERGETIC Working Steward Wtd.; [illegible]

MILLINERY—Wanted, Protestant young Lady to take charge of Millinery and Children's Dept. in good provincial town; send [illegible] Box Z 8979.

PERSONAL.

PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST.

VACANCY for energetic, superior Pharmaceutical Chemist, Protestant, age 25-35, southern town; expert knowledge of Veterinary trade, staff control and general management essential; good prospects for suitable man; commencing salary £260, plus commission. Apply, stating full details and copy references first letter, Box Z 8940, Chemist.

MRS. HENRIETTA WATTERS is deeply grateful to all those Governors whose votes secured her election to the Royal Hospital for Incurables.

ANNUAL STOCKTAKING

JOHN C. PARKES & SONS, LTD., COOMBE.

These Premises will be Closed from FRIDAY, the 22nd DECEMBER, at 5.30 o'clock, until 9 a.m. on MONDAY, the 1st of JANUARY, for the Christmas Holiday period and Annual Stocktaking. During this period we cannot execute orders, and request the indulgence of our customers.

BROOKS, THOMAS AND CO., LTD., DUBLIN. XMAS HOLIDAYS. Our Premises will be Closed from 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, 23rd inst., until Wednesday morning, 27th inst.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

Our Show Rooms and Warehouse will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, December 23rd, until THURSDAY, December 28th inst.

THOS. DOCKRELL, Sons & Co., Ltd., DUBLIN.

STEEL BARS.

We can supply from stock Flats, Rounds, Squares and Angles.

HEITON, George's Quay, Dublin.

TO FARMERS.

IF there is Water anywhere on your land, your difficulties will be eliminated by installing one of our pumps. We can immediately supply Piston or Centrifugal Pumps with capacities from 250 to 50,000 gallons per hour to suit deep or shallow wells. We can also supply with each unit a limited quantity of piping, fitting, valves, etc.

HENDRON BROS. (DUBLIN), LTD., BROADSTONE.

HIGHEST GRADE MILK (T.T.) always available **LUCAN DAIRIES**, Parkgate.

FOR SALE,

Gold Flap-Jack, Gold Cigarette Case, String of Pearls, Diamond and Platinum W. Brooch, 5-Stone Diamond and Sapphire Brooch, Diamond and Turquoise Horse Shoe Brooch, Silver Ink Stand, Silver Cigar Box.

J. W. WELDON, Jeweller and Silversmith, 55 CLARENDON STREET (Opposite Wicklow Hotel), Phone DUBLIN 71638.

WANTED, DOUBLE HORSE BOX TRAILER, in good condition.—BOOTH BROS., LTD, Stephen Street, Dublin.

CHRISTMAS Presents. To-day's suggestions—an Electric Fire, Iron or Serving Jug at Evans, Ltd., New Kitchen Showrooms, 51 Dawson st. Phones 21484/5.

SPACE Heating—Instal a De Witt, Apollo, Moin, A.1., Defcor, Romesse or Siamrog, and have your rooms warm and comfortable.—Evans Ltd., 51 Dawson st Phones: 21484/5.

THE pick of Louth's record-producing Winter and Spring Wheats: recleaned and double screened, green and reconditioned.—McGee's Stores, Ltd. Phone Ardee 10

CIGARETTE LIGHTERS AND REAL LEATHER WALLETS AT BARGAIN PRICES At the FUN PALACE, BURGH QUAY, DUBLIN.

BRINDLEYS Stationers, 22 NASSAU ST. DUBLIN. LEATHER GOODS. A POCKET WALLET OR DESPATCH CASE MAKES AN IDEAL PRESENT.

HIGH-GRADE FURNITURE & CARPETS, New and Secondhand, at lowest prices in the trade. Cash or terms.—TOOHEY'S, 30 BACHELOR'S WALK.

PICTURES for Xmas Gifts. The Combridge Galleries, Grafton street.

PAINTS, OILS AND VARNISHES FOR THE HOME AND FARM.

BAXENDALE & CO., LTD., CAPEL STREET, DUBLIN.

A Christmas Gift Suggestion: **POEMS FROM IRELAND.** An Anthology of Poems from THE IRISH TIMES. Edited, with an introduction and biographical notes, by Donagh MacDonagh. On Sale from all Booksellers. Price 7/6.

CHRISTMAS, 1944.

MESSRS. GEORGE GRANDY, Gentlemen's Outfitters, 13 ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN, DUBLIN, EXTEND TO ALL THEIR CUSTOMERS BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR.

NOTE: Premises will be CLOSED from CHRISTMAS EVE until THURSDAY, 28th DECEMBER.

SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS FEAST!

S. & D.

CULINARY ESSENCES to Improve the flavour of your Christmas Fare.

GRAVY SALT for thick, rich Gravy or Soup.

CUSTARD POWDER for a creamy Custard for the Pudding.

CHOCOLATE PUDDING AND BLANC-MANGE. Delicious Sweets for the Children's Party.

EGG SUBSTITUTE to lighten the Christmas Cakes and Puddings.

Your Grocer stocks them.

Manufactured by S. & D. PRODUCTS (IRELAND) LTD., Dublin and Cork.

TOBACCO IMPORTERS LIMITED. Our SHOWROOMS will be CLOSED from TO-DAY (FRIDAY) EVENING, the 22nd INSTANT, until MONDAY MORNING, the 1st JANUARY, 1945. Post and Telephone Enquiries will, however, have our attention as and from THURSDAY, the 28th. 9 FOWNES STREET, DUBLIN. Telephone: 74381. Telegrams: "Nicotine."

ASSOCIATED IRISH MERCHANTS LTD. (incorporating SURMAN & DOYLE), Will Close their Offices at 9 WESTMORELAND STREET, Showrooms at 19 TALBOT STREET, DUBLIN, and Branch Office, 34 PATRICK STREET, CORK, for Christmas Holidays from SATURDAY, 23rd INST., to WEDNESDAY, 27th INST. (inclusive).

S. O. McCABE & CO, LTD. DUBLIN. CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS. DUBLIN WAREHOUSE CLOSED SATURDAY, 23rd DECEMBER, to SATURDAY, 30th DECEMBER, inclusive.

MESSRS DIXON & CO., THE SOAP WORKS, DUBLIN, Beg to announce that their Premises will be Closed from THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING, 22nd DECEMBER, to THURSDAY MORNING, 28th DECEMBER.

PIGOTT & CO., LTD., Grafton street, Dublin, will be OPEN until 5.30 p.m. TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 23rd INST., and CLOSED until 9.0 a.m. on THURSDAY, the 28th INST.

LEGAL NOTICES.

EIRE. HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE. 1944/431P. Court 6. Mr Justice Gavan Duffy. In the Matter of the COMPANIES (CONSOLIDATION) ACT, 1908, And in the Matter of HARVEY AND CO. (DUBLIN), Ltd., AND REDUCED.

Notice is hereby given that a Petition has been presented to the High Court of Justice for confirming a resolution of the above Company for reducing its capital from £15,000 to £5,000.

A list of the persons admitted to have been creditors of the Company on the 20th day of December, 1944, may be inspected at the office of the Company at 49 Lower Gardiner street, in the City of Dublin, or at the office of Messrs. T. W. Hardman and Sons, Solicitors, 14 Molesworth street, Dublin, at any time during the usual business hours on the payment of the charge of 1s.

Any person who claims to have been on the last-mentioned day and still to be a creditor of the Company, and who is not entered on the said list and claims to be so entered must, on or before the 5th day of January, 1945, send in his name and address, and particulars of his claim and the name and registered place of business of his solicitor (if any), to the undersigned at 14 Molesworth street, Dublin, or in default thereof he will be precluded from objecting to the proposed reduction of capital.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1944.

T. W. HARDMAN and SONS, Solicitors for the said Company, 14 Molesworth street, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS. In the Goods of SAMUEL GRAHAM, late of Harristown House, Brannockstown, in the County of Kildare, Medical Doctor, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Victoria, Cap. 35, that all persons having any claims or demands against the estate of the above Deceased, who died on the 28th day of February, 1944, are hereby required, on or before the 31st day of January, 1945, to furnish particulars (in writing) of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executor, to whom Probate was granted forth of the Principal Registry, Dublin, on the 8th day of December, 1944. And notice is hereby further given that after the said 31st day of January, 1945, the Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims or demands of which notice shall have been given as aforesaid.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1944.

HORAN and DEVINE, 12 Dame street, Dublin.

MRS. DELIA McHUGH, late of Ballaghadereen, in the County Roscommon, Merchant Draper (trading as M. McHugh and Co.), Deceased.

All persons having claims against the estate of the above-named, who died on the 15th December, 1944, will please furnish particulars at once to the under-mentioned Solicitor.

C. E. CALLAN, Solicitor, Boyle, Co. Roscommon.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS. In the Goods of SARAH ALICE CAMERON, late of Mountplunkett, Lecarrow, in the County of Roscommon, Widow, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Victoria, Cap. 35, that all persons having any claims or demands against the estate of the above Deceased, who died on the 27th September, 1943, are hereby required, on or before the 31st day of January 1945, to furnish particulars (in writing) of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitors for the Administrator, to whom Letters of Administration were granted forth of the Principal Registry, Dublin, on the 7th day of December, 1944. And notice is hereby further given that after the said 31st day of January, 1945, the Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to the claims or demands of which notice shall have been given as aforesaid.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1944.

HORAN and DEVINE, 12 Dame street, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS. Pursuant to 22 and 23 Vic., Cap. 35. In the Goods of AGNES PAUL, of Magenta Cottage, Dundrum, County Dublin, Spinster Deceased.

All persons having any claims against the estate of the above deceased, who died on 27th September, 1942, are hereby required, on or before the 5th February, 1945, to furnish particulars (in writing) of such claims to the undersigned Solicitor for the Administratrices, after which date the deceased's assets will be distributed, having regard only to the claims then notified.

Dated this 11th December, 1944.

NATHANIEL TAYLOR, Solicitor, 3 Stephen's Green, Dublin.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. In the Goods of EDWARD F. DELANEY, late of Portain, Batterstown, County Meath, Deceased.

All persons claiming to be creditors of, or otherwise to have any claim or demand against, the Estate of the above-named Deceased, who died the 9th day of December, 1944, are requested to furnish full particulars (in writing) of such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitor.

Dated this 20th day of December, 1944.

FRED W. MOORHEAD, LL.B., Solicitor, 1-2 College st., Dublin, and Trim, Co. Meath.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1934.

VACANCY FOR MEDICAL REFEREE FOR CAVAN.

Applications are invited for the post of Medical Referee under the above-named Act for the administrative area of Cavan from medical practitioners residing in the County. The post is part-time.

Forms of application with full particulars of the post may be obtained from the Secretary, Department of Industry and Commerce, Kildare street, Dublin, with whom all applications must be lodged not later than 20th January, 1945.

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SITUATIONS VACANT CONTINUED.

HOUSEKEEPER Reqd. in Jan., Newtown School, Waterford. Apply Headmaster.

MOTOR Mechanics seeking employment in Dublin should first communicate with the Irish Automobile Drivers' and Automobile Mechanics' Union, 9 Parnell square, Dublin. Office hours: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

OLD established Dublin Auctioneers and Estate Agents require the services of intelligent young Man. Applicants please state salary required and full partics. about their abilities. Box D 1269.

VACANCY in nursery near Dublin: must understand tomato raising and all seedlings for marketing, shops, etc.; good wages to a competent Gardener; single, long refs. Church of Ireland prefd. Box E 142.

WANTED, Lady Help, Protestant prefd., 25 to 36; country district; salary £150. Apply Box Z 8982, Help.

WANTED, Lady (Protestant) Comp. Help; Sth. Dublin; good sewer essential; maids kept; state age, enclose refs. (copies). Box E 141.

WANTED immediately, experd. Assistant (C.I.) for high-class Grocery and Provisions; town, West of Ireland; wages, 70/- weekly, outdoor. Box Z 8987, Assistant.

WATCHMAKER Wtd., own lathe; £5 weekly, plus overtime; Dublin jewellers; state exper. Box E 182.

WELL recomd., trained Nurse, 1 infant, 14 months; Dun Laoghaire; good salary. Box D 1236.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

DEPARTMENTAL Manager of world-wide organisation offers services to firm where confidence and ability are rewarded with advancement; in the 30's; married, T.T.; in confidence. Box D 1225.

EXPERIENCED Shorthand Typist seeks position; accountant's office preferably. Box E 167.

GENERAL Man disengaged after Christmas; plain gardening, milking, care stock, exper. with bloodstock. Wife look after Poultry. Excellent refs. Interviewed city. Box E 133.

HIGHLY educated young Man anxious to procure post as Private Secretary to lady or gentleman. Box E 186.

HEAD Working Gardener seeks position, wide exper. in all departments, also marketing; can be strongly recomd. Box E 111.

HOTEL Night Porter, presently engaged, desires change; day or night; 2 years present job. Box D 1193.

REFINED young Man will accept position of Valet to gentleman. Box E 185.

MEDICAL, NURSING, CARE.

CHEMIST Wtd. to Manage first class Pharmacy in good, country town. State age, exper. and salary exptd. (outdoor) and enclose copies of refs., to Box Z 8980, Chemist.

CHEMIST'S Assistant Reqd.; Midlands; male. Apply, with partics., Box Z 8993, Chemist.

CHEMIST requires Apprentice, near Dublin. Box Z 8995, Apprentice.

WANTED, Matron for small mental hospital, Dublin (Protestant); state age and experience. Box E 101.

EDUCATION, TUITIONS.

ALL Professional and University Preliminaries, Oral and Correspondence.—McGuire's College, Gardiner's Row. X

BEGINNERS Taught Acting, Elocution, Mime, Gesture, Make-up, etc.; £1 monthly Box Z 8684, Acting.

CROSSWAYS, Gorey, Co. Wexford—Home School for Boys and Girls, Protestant; Residen. H.Dip.Ed., P.N.E.U.; Forms 1 and 2, Nursery Class. Apply Principal.

EDUCATION, TUITIONS CONTINUED.

FRENCH Lessons by Native Teacher—Conversations, grinds. — Madame Oguey-Clarke, 11 Harcourt terrace. X

SURGEONS' Prelim.—The grinder is J. R. McDowell, M.A., 33 York st. Latest result (December), 22 successes, including first, second, third and fifth places. Also first and second place May, and first place in October, 62 successes 1944. Classes restart January 8th, 1945. X

GOVERNESSES, TUTORS.

BERTRAND School, Dublin, Requires, in January, Resident Protestant Mistress for French; some history. Incremental post.

REQUIRED immediately for School in England, Teacher, Shorthand, Typing; 15 pupils. Apply, stating age, salary, exper., Miss M. E. Ludgate, Ardmount, Enniscorthy.

WANTED in January, Teacher for English, French and Scripture; school certificate standard. Box Z 8937, Teacher.

MONEY, PARTNERSHIPS.

ADVANCES made daily to any part of Eire in sums of £20, £30, £40, £50 and £75 to £100 and upwards, without security.—National Finance Co., Ltd., 83 Middle Abbey street, Dublin.

ADVANCES daily, £25 to £5,000. — Richmond Trust, Ltd., 59 South Richmond street, Dublin. Phone 52577.

CASH Advanced, £25 to £5,000, with or without security.—The Dublin Finance Corporation, Ltd., Westmoreland street, Dublin. Phone 21287.

GRANITE quarry and sandpit owner, 7 miles Dublin, requires interested party to form company to exploit potentialities. Box D 1912.

DANCING

BURCHILL SCHOOL OF DANCING.

Holiday Ballroom Classes for Boys and Girls each morning from 11 to 12 noon for one week commencing Monday, January 1st, to Friday, January 5th, inclusive. Particulars, write, phone or call, The Studio, 122A St. Stephen's Green. Phone 51371.

STUDIO "B" Institute Ballroom Dancing, Bank Chambers, Capel Street Bridge. Classes nightly, 8 o'c. Lessons daily. Telephones—74197-81659.

STAGE

ATTENTION. Gings, Theatrical Costumiers. Fancy Dresses, Wigs, Leichner Grease Paints, Ladies' Evening Wear, Gent's Morning and Evening Suits, Linen, etc., for hire. Carnival Hats, Novelties, Souvenirs, Ballroom Crystal Mixture, Decorations, Bunting, Garlands, Committee Badges; large varieties. Lists free. Telephone, two lines, 51407 and 22089. 3 Dame street, 10 Crane lane, Dublin X

MAGIC—Young Conjurors' Competition, February. Age limit, 17. Those interested write: Hon. Secretary, Society of Irish Magicians, Jury's Hotel.

DOMESTICS WANTED.

COOK Genl. for after Xmas; Donnybrook; good wages; modern house.—Phone 92805, after 7 p.m.

EXPERIENCED Genl., good ck., temporary, for 29th December, Monkstown; no washing or scrubbing. Box D 1235.

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Parish of St. Mary, Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough Street.		
Total amount from Parish		252 14 4
Pro-Cathedral	£107 7 6	
Our Lady of Lourdes	12 12 6	
St. Francis Xavier's, Upr. Gardiner Street	87 0 0	
St. Saviour's, Dominick St.	42 11 3	
St. Joseph's, Portland Row	3 3 1	
Holy Cross College, Clonliffe		27 0 0
Parish of St. Andrew, Westland Row.		
Total amount from Parish		245 17 9
St. Andrew's	£146 5 3	
C.U.S., Lr. Leeson St.	28 0 6	
St. Teresa's, Clarendon St.	71 12 0	
Parish of Immaculate Heart of Mary, City Quay.		
Total amount from Parish		38 17 7
Parish of St. Agatha, North William Street		57 17 0
Parish of St. Agnes, Crumlin		58 16 3
Parish of St. Audoen, High Street.		
Total amount from Parish		46 7 3
St. Audoen's	£21 0 6	
Franciscan Church, Merchant's Quay	25 6 9	
Parish of St. Catherine, Meath Street.		
Total amount from Parish		60 15 3
St. Catherine's	16 1 6	
St. John's Priory, John St.	44 13 9	
Parish of St. Columba, Iona Road		111 7 0
Parish of Christ the King, Cabra.		
Total amount from Parish		125 15 8
Christ the King	£50 8 0	
St. Peter's, Phibsboro'	75 7 8	
Parish of the Holy Child, Larkhill.		
Total amount from Parish		59 13 11
Holy Child	£45 10 5	
Ballymun	14 3 6	
Parish of the Holy Family, Aughrim St.		
Total amount from Parish		62 17 0
Parish of The Holy Name, Beechwood Ave. (Cullenswood and Milltown)		
Total amount from Parish		124 6 1
Parish of St. James, James's Street.		
Total amount from Parish		33 0 0
Parish of St. John the Baptist, Clontarf.		
Total amount from Parish		120 17 3
St. John the Baptist	£70 5 0	
St. Anthony's	50 12 3	
Parish of St. Joseph, Berkeley Street.		
Total amount from Parish		47 10 5
St. Joseph's	£42 15 5	
Mater Misericordiæ Hospital	4 15 0	
Parish of St. Joseph, Church Road.		
Total amount from Parish		37 13 0
Parish of St. Joseph, Terenure.		
Total amount from Parish		167 4 0
Parish of St. Kevin, Harrington Street.		
Total amount from Parish		135 2 7
St. Kevin's	£80 15 0	
Catholic University Church	54 7 7	
Parish of St. Laurence O'Toole, Seville Pl.		
Total amount from Parish		24 13 0
Parish of St. Mary, Haddington Road.		
Total amount from Parish		182 4 9
Parish of St. Michael, Kilmainham.		
Total amount from Parish		102 9 3
St. Michael's	£56 13 0	
Church of Mary Immaculate, Inchicore	45 16 3	
Parish of SS. Michael and John, Lr. Exchange Street.		
Total amount from Parish		98 2 3
SS. Michael and John's	£27 5 0	
Carmelite Church, Whitefriar Street	68 17 3	
Parish of St. Michan, Halston Street.		
Total amount from Parish		24 11 4
Parish of St. Nicholas of Myra, Francis Street.		
Total amount from Parish		32 17 1
Parish of Our Lady of Dolours, Dolphin's Barn.		
Total amount from Parish		107 13 6
Parish of Our Lady of Dolours, Glasnevin.		
Total amount from Parish		152 4 2
Parish of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Drimnagh.		
Total amount from Parish		36 18 0
Parish of Our Lady of Refuge, Rathmines.		
Total amount from Parish		41 17 0
Parish of Our Lady of the Rosary, Harold's Cross.		
Total amount from Parish		80 19 2
Our Lady of the Rosary	£51 9 10	
St. Paul's, Mount Argus	29 9 4	
Parish of St. Patrick, Ringsend.		
Total amount from Parish		50 0 0
Parish of St. Paul, Arran Quay.		
Total amount from Parish		82 7 0
St. Paul's	£40 0 0	
St. Mary of the Angels, Church Street	42 7 0	
Parish of The Sacred Heart, Donnybrook.		
Total amount from Parish		374 0 0
Parish of Star of the Sea, Sandymount.		
Total amount from Parish		132 15 4
Parish of St. Theresa, Donore Ave.		
Total amount from Parish		57 0 0
Parish of Three Patrons, Rathgar.		
Total amount from Parish		149 16 2
Parish of St. Vincent de Paul, Marino.		
Total amount from Parish		105 5 7
Parish of the Visitation, Fairview.		
Total amount from Parish		58 15 0
Parish of Arklow.		
Total amount from Parish		74 8 8
Parish of Ashford.		
Total amount from Parish		23 9 6
District of Ashford	£18 19 6	
District of Glenealy	4 10 0	
Parish of Athy.		
Total amount from Parish		50 7 9
District of Athy	£20 9 9	
District of Barrowhouse	4 0 0	
Dominican Church, Athy	25 18 0	
Parish of Aughrim and Greenane.		
Total amount from Parish		17 8 0
Parish of Avoca.		
Total amount from Parish		28 9 9
District of Avoca	£16 11 9	
District of Ballycogue	3 1 6	
District of Barniskey	2 1 0	
District of Templerainey	6 15 6	
Parish of Balbriggan.		
Total amount from Parish		41 10 0
Parish of Baldoyle and Portmarnock.		
Total amount from Parish		37 1 9
Parish of Ballybrack.		
Total amount from Parish		95 19 0
District of Ballybrack	£56 3 6	
District of Shankill	36 13 6	
District of Loughlinstown	3 2 0	
Parish of Ballymore Eustace.		
Total amount from Parish		25 17 0
District of Ballymore Eustace	£16 15 6	
District of Hollywood	9 1 6	
Parish of Blackrock.		
Total amount from Parish		176 6 6
Parish of Blanchardstown.		
Total amount from Parish		45 11 0
Parish of Blessington.		
Total amount from Parish		16 18 9
District of Blessington	£10 14 0	
District of Manor Kilbride	6 4 9	
Parish of Booterstown.		
Total amount from Parish		136 7 0
District of Booterstown	£67 17 0	
District of Merrion	68 10 0	
Parish of Boystown.		
Total amount from Parish		14 10 0
Parish of Bray and Little Bray.		
Total amount from Parish		141 5 10
Parish of Cabinteely and Foxrock.		
Total amount from Parish		110 14 3
District of Cabinteely	£28 16 0	
District of Foxrock	81 18 3	
Parish of Castledermot		
Total amount from Parish		47 6 0
District of Castledermot	£24 9 0	
District of Moone	18 0 0	
District of Levitstown	4 17 0	
Parish of Celbridge.		
Total amount from Parish		34 4 0
Parish of Chapelizod.		
Total amount from Parish		26 6 3
Parish of Clondalkin.		
Total amount from Parish		74 14 6
District of Clondalkin	£25 15 0	
District of Palmerstown	12 9 6	
District of Lucan	36 10 0	
Parish of Coolock and Raheny.		
Total amount from Parish		38 18 9
District of Coolock	£16 16 9	
District of Killester	16 12 0	
District of Raheny	5 10 0	
Parish of Dalkey.		
Total amount from Parish		82 14 0
Parish of Donabate.		
Total amount from Parish		49 18 0
District of Donabate	£31 1 6	
District of Balheary	7 16 6	
Portrane Mental Hospital	11 0 0	
Parish of Dundrum.		
Total amount from Parish		182 0 0
District of Dundrum	£104 13 3	
District of Kilmacud	23 3 6	
District of Mount Merrion	54 3 3	
Parish of Dun Laoghaire.		
Total amount from Parish		177 10 2
Parish of Dunlavin.		
Total amount from Parish		34 1 6
Parish of Eadestown.		
Total amount from Parish		15 5 0
District of Eadestown	£7 14 6	
District of Kilteel	2 10 6	
Naas Hospital	5 0 0	
Parish of Enniskerry.		
Total amount from Parish		36 18 9
Parish of Finglas.		
Total amount from Parish		39 10 0
District of Finglas	£17 8 0	
District of St. Margarets	22 2 0	
Parish of Garristown and Rolestown.		
Total amount from Parish		35 15 0
District of Rolestown	£8 5 0	
District of Garristown	10 0 0	
District of Oldtown and Ballymadun	17 10 0	
Parish of Glasthule.		
Total amount from Parish		102 0 0
Parish of Glendalough.		
Total amount from Parish		21 2 6
District of Roundwood	£8 6 0	
District of Moneystown	3 6 6	
District of Glendalough	9 10 0	
Parish of Greystones.		
Total amount from Parish		68 9 0
District of Greystones	£55 17 6	
District of Blacklion	12 11 6	
Parish of Howth.		
Total amount from Parish		96 19 2
District of Howth	£37 4 11	
District of Sutton	59 14 3	
Parish of Kilbride and Barndarrig.		
Total amount from Parish		22 9 0
District of Barndarrig	£16 7 0	
District of Kilbride	6 2 0	
Parish of Kilcullen.		
Total amount from Parish		15 5 0
Parish of Kilquade.		
Total amount from Parish		33 13 9
District of Kilquade	£8 9 6	
District of Newtownmountkennedy	17 9 6	
District of Delgany	7 14 9	
Parish of Lusk.		
Total amount from Parish		23 4 10
Parish of Malahide.		
Total amount from Parish		30 18 6
Parish of Maynooth.		
Total amount from Parish		30 10 9
District of Maynooth	£13 14 6	
District of Leixlip	16 16 3	
Parish of Monkstown.		
Total amount from Parish		87 0 0
Parish of Narraghmore.		
Total amount from Parish		42 8 6
District of Crookstown	£8 17 0	
District of Ballymount	7 13 6	
District of Kilmeade	25 18 0	
Parish of Naul.		
Total amount from Parish		15 19 0
District of Ballyboughal	£5 3 0	
District of Naul	5 18 6	
District of Damastown	4 17 6	
Parish of Rathdrum.		
Total amount from Parish		36 11 6
District of Rathdrum	£32 1 6	
District of Clara Vale	4 10 0	
Parish of Rathfarnham and Bohernabreena.		
Total amount from Parish		189 2 10
District of Rathfarnham and Bohernabreena	£68 7 0	
District of Firhouse	3 3 7	
Dominican Fathers, Tallaght	117 12 3	
Parish of Rush.		
Total amount from Parish		37 6 10
Parish of Saggart.		
Total amount from Parish		27 12 0
District of Saggart	£19 6 6	
District of Newcastle	8 5 6	
Parish of Sandyford.		
Total amount from Parish		26 8 9
District of Sandyford	£13 11 7	
District of Kilternan	7 1 6	
District of Glencullen	5 15 8	
Parish of Skerries.		
Total amount from Parish		66 19 6
District of Skerries	£59 12 6	
District of Milverton	7 7 0	
Parish of Swords.		
Total amount from Parish		28 8 0
Parish of Wicklow.		
Total amount from Parish		43 18 0
District of Wicklow	£39 2 6	
District of Rathnew	4 15 6	

We regret that owing to the restricted space available in the Press, we can only publish the above summary of returns from Parishes.

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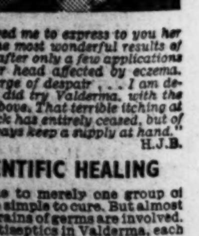


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